



APPLICATION PACK
FOR THE POST OF
Visiting Music Teacher -
Percussion





CHEAM | Overview

Cheam is a wonderful co-educational prep school on the Berkshire/Hampshire border. The school is situated in a stunning rural location ten minutes from Newbury and fifteen minutes from Basingstoke, just off the A339. It is surrounded by smaller towns and villages from which it draws many of its pupils.

Cheam was founded in 1645 and is one of the oldest prep schools in the world. Cheam is an IAPS boarding and day school with some 375 pupils, boys, and girls. Cheam prides itself on its excellent all-round record academically, musically, artistically and on the sports field. The facilities are outstanding. On completing their life at Cheam, children move on to the top Public Schools in England, including Eton, Wellington, Marlborough, Radley, Harrow, Winchester, Bradfield and St. Mary's Calne. The school is non-selective yet achieves consistently high standards academically.

Visting Music Teacher – Percussion

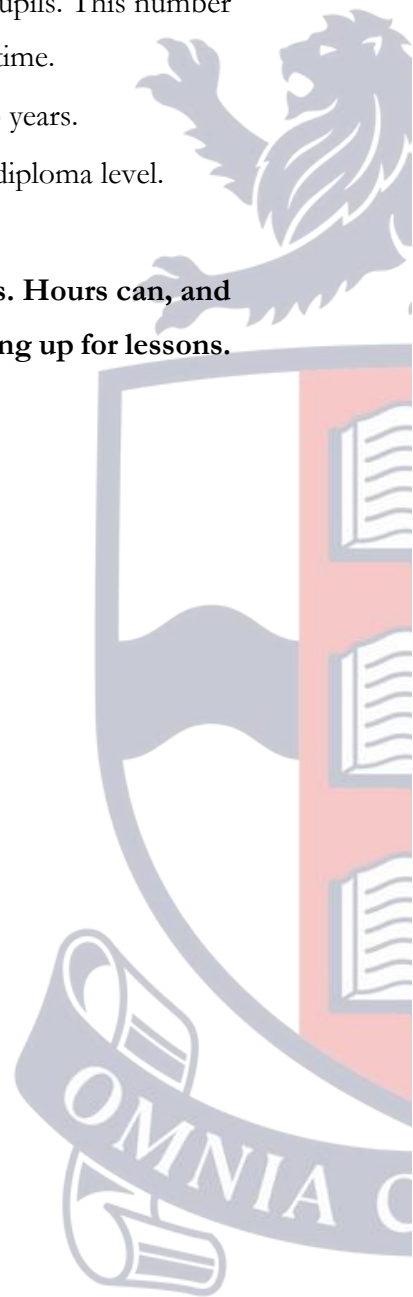
An outstanding opportunity has arisen to join the Music Department as a visiting music teacher to teach Percussion for one day a week on Thursdays.

JOB DESCRIPTION



The successful candidate will:

- Provide instrumental tuition on a 1-1 basis with approximately 10 pupils. This number can go up and down but is approximately what we have at any one time.
- Teach mixed ages from Year 3 to Year 8 so children from ages 8-13 years.
- Teach a mixed ability of children from beginner to more advanced diploma level.
- Teach for approximately 1 day a week on a **Thursday**.
- **The role is offered on a casual basis with no guarantee of hours. Hours can, and will, vary each term dependent on the number of children signing up for lessons.**

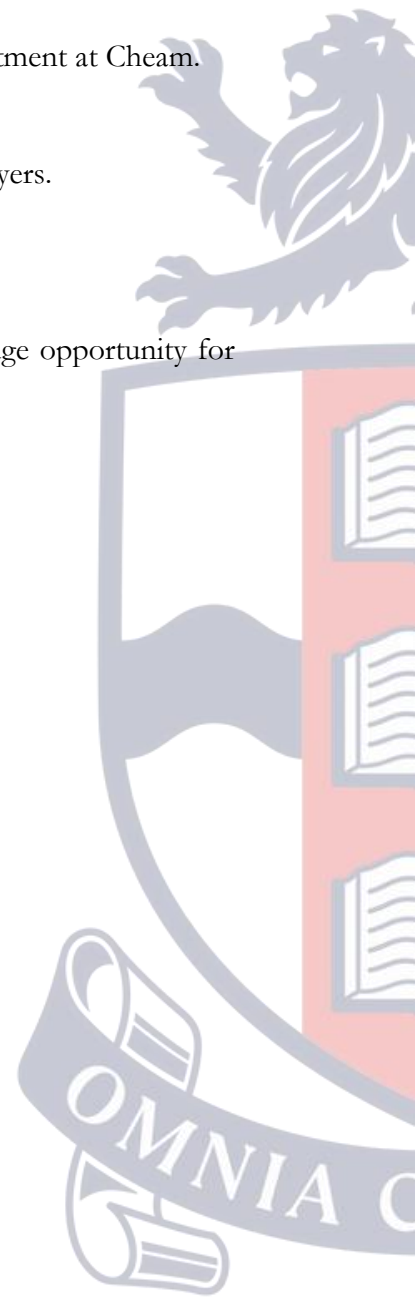


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The successful candidate will possess the following skills:

- Experienced percussion teacher, happy to teach both drum kit and orchestral percussion
- Inspirational drum teacher to support a dynamic Percussion Department at Cheam.
- Inspirational leader experienced at working with children.
- Comfortable working with beginner players as well as advanced players.
- Good communicator with pupils and parents.
- Team Player.
- Willing to be part of a wider music team at Cheam. There is a huge opportunity for both Ensemble work and performing opportunities.
- Competent ICT skills for administration purposes.



Salary and Hours

Salary to be in the region of £36.44 per hour dependent on experience.

One day per week on a Thursday.

School Holidays | Days Off

School holidays are usually 3 weeks at Christmas, 3 weeks at Easter, 8 weeks in the summer, 1 week for February, May and October half terms. There are regular staff meetings and INSET days just before the start of each term and all staff are expected to attend these.



BENEFITS

LOCATION

Nestled in 100 acres of beautiful Berkshire countryside



CAREER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

including mentoring and a variety of training opportunities



LUNCHES

Meals, snacks and refreshments provided



GENEROUS PENSION SCHEME



WELL-BEING

Focus on staff well-being, yoga classes, team socials and access to physio and counsellors



FACILITIES

Use of school facilities when available



WORKING AT CHEAM



Our staff are Cheam's greatest asset. From the inspiring and experienced teachers to the efficient and friendly support teams, everyone contributes to the special environment at Cheam. Cheam offers the brightest of learning environments. It is the perfect place for staff to thrive and grow.

“Having worked in a number of schools, when I found Cheam, it felt the most like home. The team, the amazing site and the positive, can-do attitudes are what makes it a great place to work and live.”

“The pupils who are happy, engaged, so well-mannered and keen to learn make coming to work something I genuinely look forward to.”

“The feeling of camaraderie amongst the staff and being part of the Team Cheam. It's a very special community.”

“It's a privilege to work in such a beautiful setting, with a brilliant group of colleagues who make coming to work worthwhile.”

Quotes from Staff Members

- “The quality of the pupils academic and other achievements is excellent.”
- “Pupils throughout the school display extremely positive attitudes towards their learning.”
- “Pupils show highly developed knowledge and strong understanding and skills across their studies.”
- “Pupils are excellent communicators.”
- “The quality of the pupils personal development is excellent.”
- “Pupils show high levels of self-understanding and self confidence for their age.”
- “Pupils behave notably well and show respect and kindness towards others.”
- “Pupils have a strong understanding of how their decisions affect their development.”
- “Pupils are extremely socially aware and collaborate highly effectively across all areas of school life.” *Quotes from the ISI Inspection Report 2023*

See also:

[THE GOOD SCHOOLS GUIDE](#)

[MUDDY STILETTOS SCHOOLS REVIEW GUIDE](#)

HOW TO APPLY & KEY DATES



- Candidates should complete the application form and equal opportunities form found on our website at www.cheamschool.co.uk and provide a covering letter. Applications will not be accepted without a completed application form.
- Covering letters and application forms should be submitted by post to Cheam or online to the Director of Music, Tim Bennett at bennett@cheam.co.uk

Key Dates

Closing date for receipt of applications is 5pm 20th June 2024.

Interviews will be held shortly afterwards although the school reserves the right to call someone to interview before the closing date.

Start Date: September 2024.

Cheam School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. Applicants must undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

At Cheam we are committed to a culture of equality, diversity and inclusion. We value difference and recognise that individually we perform well but collectively we shine. If you believe your personal values would fit with the Cheam values we would love to hear from you. Whatever your background, if you lead by example, show resilience and kindness and seek always to integrate and share, please get in touch.



