



Skippers

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Teacher of KS2

Permanent role. Part or full time.

Suitable for ECT.

Welcome Message

"A warm welcome to Skippers Prep School."



Nestled in the beautiful East Sussex countryside in Five Ashes, Mayfield, we are a vibrant and nurturing community where every child is encouraged to explore their full potential and develop a lifelong love of learning.

Skippers Prep School is seeking an exceptional Key Stage 2 teacher to join our growing school. We want someone who can deliver exceptional pastoral care, help every child make progress and has the drive to help us in our mission to be the best value prep school in Sussex.

This is a rare opportunity to work at a school with the freedom to innovate. We value allowing children to be children as well as securing the best academic outcomes.

Craig Austen-White
Headmaster

Why you should work at Skippers

Skippers is a brilliant place to develop and turbocharge your career. You will be able to take on responsibility, be creative and have the space to innovate.

Benefits:

- Outstanding CPD delivered through the Bellevue group of schools, IAPS and national sporting bodies.
- Small class sizes allow for individual interactions and the time to design brilliant learning opportunities.
- Generous salary and a competitive pension, which you can tailor to your individual retirement goals.
 - Opportunities to run holiday clubs, deliver additional coaching and supplement your income.
 - Fantastic food cooked by our in house, professional chef as part of your package.
 - Stunning views and our woodland to help support your wellbeing.



Key aspects of the role

01.

Teaching and Learning

- Help deliver and plan an exceptional curriculum for our children. Plan and deliver outstanding enrichment opportunities. Lead in an area of the curriculum.
- Demonstrate a commitment to developing innovative and exciting learning.
- Establish a safe and stimulating learning environment for pupils, rooted in mutual respect. Help to manage and develop our strategic plan.
- Involve parents in the life of the school and demonstrate a commitment to sharing the positive progress of the children with their families.

02.

Safeguarding and Pastoral

- Contribute to the outstanding safeguarding and pastoral care at Skippers, ensuring our pupils feel safe and happy. Ensure interactions with children are positive, build confidence and encourage excellence at all levels of ability.
- Contribute and encourage high standards of kindness, effort and behaviour throughout the school.
- Act as a form tutor and help support our scholarship and development pathways for the children.
- Ensure excellent communication with parents to support them and promote our wonderful community.

03.

Professional Development

- Professional development is important here at Skippers and we are able to provide CPD opportunities being part of Bellevue Education Group and IAPS
- With our connections with local prep schools and Bellevue schools we are in an enviable position to facilitate learning opportunities for our staff.
- Take responsibility for your personal professional development, keeping up to date with research and developments related to your field.
- Undertake any necessary and identified professional development opportunities, taking full advantage of any relevant training and development available.

04.

Leadership

- Depending on your experience there are a range of management and leadership opportunities available.
- These may include areas like curriculum design and development, delivering CPD, commercial expansion and revenue generation.
- If you have relevant skills and experience we will match you with appropriate opportunities.



Person Specification

	Essential	Desired
Passionate with a willingness to innovate and explore, both within and outside the classroom, and a clear educational philosophy rooted in ambition and breadth.	✓	
Enthusiastic and dynamic, eager to maintain and develop our exciting academic provision. Flexibility and commitment to cope with the hours demanded at a busy Prep School	✓	
Flexible in approach with the ability to perform well in a team. The ability to lead others while respecting the whole school context.	✓	
Positive behaviour management strategies that get the best out of the children in their care.	✓	
Inspired by the school's aims and values, and a commitment to vigorously promote and model the behaviours and values expected of others.	✓	
Is committed to developing good relationships with; children, staff and parents.	✓	
Has relevant experience and specialisms in the subjects listed and the ability to teach in areas beyond this.	✓	
Has appropriate qualifications to deliver high quality teaching and learning.	✓	

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The ability to teach different subjects and run interesting clubs and holiday provision.		✓
A strong track record of deliver academic progress across the ability range.		✓
An entrepreneurial spirit and creative approach to growing the school.		✓
Excellent marketing and storytelling skills.		✓
A role model that can inspire children to love your subject and take their studies further.		✓

Why you should work at Skippers

Reporting to:	Headmaster
Salary:	Competitive based on experience
Hours per week:	Full time or part time (You are contracted to teach for 180 days per year as a full time member of staff)
Contract type:	Permanent
Start Date	September 2026

The successful candidate will be eligible for the following benefits upon commencement of employment:

- Professional development and ongoing CPD through internal and external training.
- Further CPD opportunities being part of Bellevue Education Group.
- Staff benefit from a generous fee remission for their own children at Skippers.
- Free school lunches and parking
- Stunning location and wonderful colleagues!

How to make an application

Skippers is committed to safeguarding all pupils and students. All offers of employment are conditional and appointments are subject to the receipt of two satisfactory references, in addition to child protection screening, including checks with previous employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

Applications should be received no later than midday on:

Friday 26th June 2026

We reserve the right to interview and appoint before this date if a suitable candidate is found.

Please submit a completed application form. For further information please email: office@skippershill.com.

All terms and conditions can be discussed at interview.

WHY SKIPPERS?

Skippers Hill is a non-selective co-educational independent preparatory school for pupils aged two to thirteen, set in 22 acres of beautiful Wealden countryside in the village of Five Ashes, Mayfield in Sussex. An easy commute to busy towns such Tunbridge Wells and Eastbourne, where a number of our staff are based.

The children here are at the heart of the school and ensuring their happiness and wellbeing is key. The high academic achievement, broad range of talents and impressive social confidence that the children show year after year is embedded in our core ethos.

We are proud of our sporting results, with children consistently performing at a high level and gaining national recognition. For a non-selective school, we have an excellent reputation for gaining significant numbers of scholarships for entry to top senior schools at 13+ across a range of disciplines. The school has strong, long-standing relationships with the senior schools in the area and Skippers children are highly sought-after for their sound grounding, strong sense of community spirit and overall zest for life.

WHY SKIPPERS?

An excellent team of specialist staff provide exciting opportunities for our children to achieve to the best of their abilities in all areas. Whether they thrive on academic challenge, feel a burning desire to perform, are bursting with creative spirit or cannot wait to hit the sports field, the children are encouraged to make the most of every opportunity here. Our extra-curricular provision is consistently at a high level and this can be seen in our sporting results, work produced in Art and DT as well as our performances in Drama and Music, consistently securing outstanding results in LAMDA and ABRSM examinations.

Professional development is a key aspect of fulfilment at work that we at Skippers take very seriously – everyone must access qualifications and professional development to support their career. In addition to the opportunities, we are able to provide here at Skippers we are also part of a wider group of schools through Bellevue Education, a world-class group of 21 schools providing the highest possible education to children and students aged from 1-19 years.

“The quality of pupils’ academic and other achievements is excellent”

“The quality of pupils’ personal development is excellent”

“Pupils develop a strong understanding of their social responsibilities and contribute most effectively to the welfare of their peers”

ISI Inspection



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