

# **Ludlow Church of England School**

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**Dear Applicant** 

#### **Part-time Teacher of Music**

Thank you for your interest in the post of part-time Music Teacher, at Ludlow Church of England School. If you choose to apply for this position, you will be giving yourself the opportunity of playing a vital role in the improvement of a school and its community.

The successful candidate will be required to teach in a Creative Studies faculty that has a six-year trend of improvement. We hope that you will be able to consolidate and build upon previous progress. While standards are vital, you will be expected to have an open and imaginative approach to pedagogy. Music is vital to the wider life of the school, and obviously plays a major role in the musical showcasing.

We are potentially able to offer leadership development to the outstanding candidate. If you have any queries regarding this post that you wish to raise before applying for this position, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Chris Harrison (Head of Creative Studies).

### <u>Staff</u>

There are five teachers (2 full time, 3 part-time) in the faculty:

- 1 Full-time Art Teacher
- 1 Part-time Art Teacher (0.4)
- 1 Part-time Music Teacher (0.9)
- 1 Full-time Drama Teacher (the Head of Faculty)
- 1 Part-time Dance Teacher (0.8)

The school subscribes to Shropshire Council's peripatetic Music Service provision.

#### **Facilities**

The Music Department forms part of the Creative Studies Faculty, and is situated adjacent to the Drama studio. The Music area has one large octagonal Music room, equipped with a ceiling mounted data projector, plus four practice rooms. The area is well resourced in terms of musical equipment. GCSE students also have access to an Apple Mac computer with midi keyboard, which is loaded with Garageband and Logic Express. There are 10 keyboards, 3 full size electric pianos, and a PA system; 2 drum kits, a variety of African Djembe as well as other tuned and un-tuned percussion; a variety of acoustic and electric guitars and 10 ukuleles; as well as other items expected within a Music Department.

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At Key State 3, Music is taught in rotation with Dance and Drama. Students receive four lessons per fortnight. GCSE Music students receive five lessons per fortnight. There are currently ten students in the Year 10 class and sixteen in Year 11.

The music department offers various extra-curricular clubs, most notably Rock School, which is co-run with Shropshire Music Service after school. The school has a close working relationship with Shropshire Music Service who provide all peripatetic instrumental lessons for students.

## **MUSIC - GCSE**

### Board: AQA

Components	% Towards GCSE	Practical Requirements	Written Requirements
Component 1: Understanding Music	40%		A 1 hour 30 minute exam paper with listening exercises and written questions using excerpts of music.
Component 2: Performing Music	30%	As an instrumentalist/vocalist:     Performance 1: Solo     performance     Performance 2: Ensemble     performance	
Component 3: Composing Music	30%	Composition 1: Compose a piece of music to a brief Composition 2: Free Composition	For both compositions, students must provide a Programme note of approx. 150 words.

The course content is taught through a range of practical and theoretical activities which cover the following elements of music:

- Melody
- Harmony
- Tonality
- Structure
- Sonority (Timbre)
- Texture
- Tempo, metre and rhythm
- Dynamics and articulation

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## These elements are explored through 4 areas of study:

- 1. Western classical tradition 1650-1910
- 2. Popular music
- 3. Traditional music
- 4. Western classical tradition since 1910

I look forward to meeting you should you decide that this is an opportunity to make a real difference to a school and community that will welcome a teacher, and future leader, with vision, enthusiasm, intellect and integrity.

Yours sincerely

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Paula Hearle

Headteacher

