



West London Free School

Curriculum Resource Developer

Closing Date: Monday 14th August 2023



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Start date:	September 2023
Contract Type:	Full time
Contract Term:	Fixed term – initially September 2023 – June 2024 with an option to extend
Timings:	8.30am – 5.30pm – Monday to Friday. The role holder will be expected to be flexible to support the project outside of normal school hours if needed. The role can be almost fully remote with the exception of two training days in September in Leeds and the occasional full team meeting in west London.
Salary:	£30,000 - £40,000 depending on experience
Reports to:	Director of Music



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The West London Free School Music Department is seeking a Curriculum Resource Developer to work as part of our team for the academic year 2023-24. The main focus of the role will be supporting the department in the developing our curriculum to be published on the Oak National Academy platform from 2024.

Oak National will be publishing curriculum sequences, resources and accompanying videos for 400 music lessons from Year 7 to Year 11. The successful candidate will have the chance to make a positive impact nationally in curriculum delivery through their work on this project. In particular we are looking for a teacher with experience delivering GCSE music with excellent outcomes to spread the benefit of their expertise more widely. The role will involve the planning and production of curriculum resources across all GCSE exam boards to support teachers and students across the country. Successful candidates will:

- have at least QTS + 3 years of teaching experience
- be able to create slide decks for lessons that are slick, memorable and engaging
- work with the principles of cognitive science as outlined in Oak National's training and in Ofsted's research review on music
- plan composition sequences both in contemporary song writing on a DAW and notated composition in a more classical style
- experience in managing projects

Key responsibilities

- realising the high-level curriculum sequence in detailed learning cycles for each lesson
- producing quizzes with variety and challenge for the start and ends of lessons
- completing supporting lesson data
- supporting teacher delivery with resources for lessons
- supporting students with worksheets for each lesson (a worksheet conceived as a broad category)
- gaining an in-depth knowledge of the requirements of all four exam boards, including sitting papers
- meeting the Oak National requirements for lessons while approaching each lesson with an eye for creative, memorable approaches to engaging students and helping them learn

The West London Free School

The West London Free School is a non-selective school based in Hammersmith, West London. We are suited to teachers at all stages of their careers, priding ourselves on a supportive working environment and valuing the importance of staff wellbeing.

The West London Free School provides all pupils, irrespective of their background, with a Classical Liberal education. By a Classical Liberal education, we mean a rigorous, knowledge rich education that draws from the best and most important work in both the humanities and the sciences. We believe that knowledge is a good in and of itself, empowering pupils to understand and take an interest in the world around them. We believe a secondary education is not just a preparation for work, but a preparation for life. As such, we value the knowledge of our teachers, and the passion for their subject that they bring to the classroom.

We have a firm but fair approach to behaviour. Senior leaders see it as their core responsibility to ensure all teachers can teach without disruption. School rules are non-negotiable, poor behaviour is met by escalating sanctions, and pupil detentions are centralised and run every day by senior staff. Teachers can therefore prioritise planning and teaching their lessons. Senior leaders at the West London Free School all teach, pay due attention to workload pressures and are highly visible around school.

As well as a knowledge rich education, the West London Free School runs an extensive co-curricular programme that encourages children to develop outside the classroom. The clubs are central to the ethos of the school and give pupils the opportunity to try new activities and develop new interests. The school specialises in music and offers a range of sporting opportunities as well as general interest clubs. All staff are encouraged to share their co-curricular enthusiasm by committing one hour a week to running a school club.





Rewards & Benefits

People are at the heart of our success. We look for talented and ambitious individuals who share our vision for creating an exceptional school and are committed to ensuring that every child has access to the best possible education. We have developed a positive and supportive staff culture at the West London Free School, and we invest in our staff with support, coaching and mentoring as well as external training programmes.

We offer:

- Teachers' Pension Scheme for teaching staff
- Cycle to Work Scheme
- Complimentary drinks
- Employee counselling
- Recommend a teacher bonus scheme
- Staff children have priority admission into the school (after 2 years' service)
- Season ticket travel loan

The closing date for applications is **Monday 14th August at midnight**, although candidates are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. The School reserves the right to commence or complete the interview process at any time prior to the closing date.

Interviews: **As soon as the candidate is available.**

Please apply either via the job portal you are viewing, or by completing the application form from our website [West London Free School - Support Staff Vacancies \(wlfs.org\)](http://wlfs.org) and returning this with a covering letter addressed to Mr Ed Watkins c/o Cheryl Toolan at c.toolan@ks-t.org.

Equal Opportunities

The Knowledge Schools Trust is an equal opportunities employer. The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service. The post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and the School is therefore permitted to ask job applicants to declare all convictions and cautions (including those which are "spent" unless they are "protected" under the DBS filtering rules) in order to assess their suitability to work with children.

West London Free School and the Knowledge Schools Trust is fully committed to the principles of equal opportunity, diversity and inclusion. We want to attract and retain the very best staff in all areas of the Trust, ensuring our staff body reflects the diversity of our students and local community.

