

JOB DESCRIPTION & PERSON SPECIFICATION

Department/School

Music

Job Title

Self-Employed Visiting Music Teacher

Responsible to

Director of Music

Contract

Self-employed

Hours

As agreed with the Director of Music; dependent on the number of students requiring lessons

Salary

The teacher may set their own teaching rate. The school pays at a fixed rate for lessons for Music scholars.

Purpose of the Job

The main role of the post-holder will be to provide high quality oboe tuition to pupils on an individual or, in some cases on a group or ensemble basis and to support the Director of Music providing and organising effective music teaching within the Department.

Main Duties & Responsibilities

- Providing a very high standard of regular 40-minute weekly lessons for each individual clarinet and saxophone student, as agreed with the Director of Music.
- Design of a programme of study appropriate for each student, and in keeping with the Music department's wider aims.
- Supporting students in giving clarinet and saxophone performances in school, including Tea Time Concerts, assemblies, and encouraging them to join ensembles, as appropriate.
- Preparing students for instrumental exams, as appropriate to them, to include developing sight-reading and aural skills.
- To assist with the programme of chamber music coaching, when requested (additional fees are paid by the school for ensemble rehearsals).

- Keeping records of students' attendance and their instrumental progress, including reporting to parents as required.
- Maintaining excellent communication with students about lesson arrangements, and with the full-time Music staff.
- Keeping up-to-date with wider developments in instrumental teaching.
- Documenting pupil non-attendance and informing the Director of Music, so that pupils not attending for tuition can be identified early on.
- To be a positive ambassador for Taunton School Music Department at all times.
- Undertaking any reasonable task in a timely and effective manner as specified by the Director of Music.
- Keep up to date with any training as required by your line manager.
- Attend staff meetings as required.
- Carry out any other duties as commensurate with the role.

The duties and responsibilities shown above are not intended to be exhaustive and the post holder will be expected to be flexible and to take on new responsibilities as necessary to meet the changing needs of the School.

This job is one that engages in regulated activity.

Person Specification

Taunton School seeks to deliver an exceptional educational experience in all fields to its pupils. It requires staff with the ability and expertise to support this ambition, and who believe that everything we do must have the education, wellbeing, and protection of children at its core.

Below are the specific requirements for this job:

	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
QUALIFICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diploma in Music or related field 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree in Music • Teaching Qualification
EXPERIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience teaching pupils aged 13-18 years • Demonstrable experience of working with children of a wide ability range 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of teaching in a similar school setting
SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent oral and written communication skills • Excellent interpersonal skills 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent organisational skills • The ability to inspire pupils of all ages and abilities • An inspirational, committed and highly effective practitioner, dedicated to achieving the best possible outcome for each child • Excellent time management and adaptability to meet the demands of the school's timetable • 	
ATTITUDES & APPROACH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to act with humility and kindness • Approachable and professional • A natural collaborator and team player • Flexible & adaptable • Positive "can do" attitude. • Resilient • Enthusiastic and creative • Patient and diplomatic • Able to work on own initiative • Discretion and the ability to deal with confidential information appropriately. • Caring and sensitive to the needs of children and young people • Committed to working together to safeguard children. 	

Taunton School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any specific safeguarding responsibilities for this position are outlined in the job description.

Offers of employment are subject to satisfactory safeguarding checks including, but not limited to, ID and Right to Work in the UK, satisfactory references, a successful enhanced DBS check, and satisfactory online searches.