

Job Description – Teacher of Music

Overall Purpose

Music is an integral part of the life at King Edward's and Barrow Hills School. The Schools are proud of their tradition of Music teaching, and the successful applicant will join an established department in schools where the subject is positively supported and celebrated.

Reporting to: Director of Music

Location: Barrow Hills School and King Edward's Witley

Hours of work: Full-time or Part-time considered

Main duties and Key Responsibilities

- Be an excellent and enthusiastic role model who wants to inspire and pass on their musical skills and expertise to young people.
- Teach class music from Year 5 at Barrow Hills to Year 9 at King Edward's. The opportunity to teach GCSE and/or A Level is available for the right person.
- Lead the musical element of assemblies and chapel services (e.g. hymns) at Barrow Hills
- To be involved in productions for Years 5-8 at Barrow Hills.
- Be actively involved in a busy co-curricular programme across both schools, taking ensembles which may include choirs, instrumental ensembles and bands.
- Be prepared to accompany groups to concerts and other events including those that fall on weekends.
- Be able to work effectively within a team in the music department, assisting as required and giving and taking advice as necessary.
- Assist with Music Department administration (libraries, practice rotas).
- Be able to record and analyse musical achievements using IT in an effective and organised manner.
- At King Edward's join in the life of a busy boarding School in areas as requested by the Director of Music, directed by the Head.

The Department

The Music department is a vibrant and integral part of King Edward's and Barrow Hills, playing a leading role through academic excellence and an extensive and flourishing co-curricular programme.

It comprises three full-time and three part-time members of staff who can all teach across the age range from Year 5 to Year 8 at Barrow Hills, and 1st Form (Year 7) to Upper Sixth (Year 13) at King Edward's. There are four part-time Heads of Section for brass, strings, voice and woodwind, and a further team of visiting specialist music teachers teaching some three hundred

one-to-one lessons each week. The department is housed in the purpose-built Countess of Munster School at King Edward's and the Saint Cecilia Centre at Barrow Hills. There are over twenty ensembles that rehearse weekly, including choirs, orchestras, Chamber Music, Jazz groups, instrumental and vocal ensembles and bands. The department has a large selection of new Yamaha upright pianos and six grand pianos.

Over two sites, there are three classrooms, one Mac Suite, a recording studio and six concert venues of varying sizes. The school Chapel at King Edward's has a three manual Willis organ and the school is affiliated to the Royal College of Organists. The department has strong links with the City of London and the Chapel Choir and other ensembles regularly perform in the City. In addition, the choir regularly sings in cathedrals and there is a biennial tour abroad. Recent tours have included Milan and Venice. Pupils have gone on to study music at Oxbridge, leading conservatoires and Russell Group universities.

Person Specification

Essential

- A good degree in Music
- Excellent subject knowledge
- A passion and commitment to the subject
- The ability to teach up to Key Stage 3
- Enthusiasm and commitment to high quality, inspiring teaching
- Ability to use IT in the classroom
- Excellent communication skills, and the ability to enthuse and challenge pupils of all ages and abilities with rigour and good humour
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, be that written or oral
- Demonstrate enthusiasm and passion for the subject
- Be committed to bringing out the best in children and young adults
- Ability to work on own initiative
- An appreciation and dedication to the importance of the safeguarding agenda.

Desirable

- The ability to teach up to GCSE and A-level
- Education sector background
- Willingness to be involved in the wider musical life of the school will be advantageous

The additional role of Assistant Director of Music may be considered for the right candidate.

Child Protection: Bridewell Schools are fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. Please refer to our websites or ask HR for our child protection and rehabilitation of offenders' policy. For shortlisted candidates we will carry out online and social media searches as part of our due diligence processes. All successful applicants will be required to complete an Enhanced disclosure through the DBS. Applicants from underrepresented groups are particularly welcome.