



Kings' Forest Primary School



Primary Music Teacher September 2021
Fixed Term Contract until 31/08/2023



Forest Hill
Partnership

Dear prospective candidate

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in our school.

Kings' Forest Primary School was opened in 2007 as an amalgamation of two smaller primary schools. There are 14 classes within the school and our nursery class. Our team of teachers work very closely together and are ably supported by skilled teaching assistants. We pride ourselves on our ability to support and develop all staff. The successful candidate will be provided with support and mentoring which includes a tailored package of CPD and dedicated self-development time. Kings' Forest is part of a federation with Staple Hill Primary school which is overseen by our Executive Headteacher; Ross Newman.

The children which we serve are bright, engaging and interested in the world around them. Our curriculum is broad and balanced and underpinned by the school's values to: be responsible, be respectful, be positive and be kind. We have the highest expectations of all children and the successful candidate will have excellent subject knowledge and be as keen to learn as the children.

We are so excited to be recruiting for this post as part of our commitment to developing the whole child, helping children find their talents and the joy of childhood. Our curriculum is wide and varied and whilst we hold core skills of literacy and numeracy very highly and focus a lot of our attention on them we also highly value the arts and sports. Each year we hold an Arts week and a sports week giving pupils the opportunity to develop new skills. We are extremely lucky to have two art teachers, a textile teacher, a sports coach and a Spanish language teacher as part of our team.

The new music teacher will teach music to children across the whole school from Nursery to year 6 as well as supporting extra curriculum activities. Children in KS2 currently learn the ukulele and until recently children in Year 2 have learnt the recorder. This amazing new role will allow the post holder to focus on the development of the single subject of music and the development of our music curriculum. We are currently in the process of developing a teaching space for this new role.

We are looking for a professional to inspire our children and spread the joy of music throughout our wonderful school. We are open to applications from qualified teachers from both primary and secondary trained teachers, we have experience of supporting secondary trained colleagues into the primary phase. We are advertising this post as 3 days per week but would consider full time to secure the best candidate. This is a fixed term post until August 2021 pending a budget review.

If you are considering applying to join our team I would encourage you to try and visit in order to gain a good understanding of our school and ask any questions you may have. A visit will also give candidates a chance to explore our CPD offer and what Kings' Forest offers its staff. All applications should consist of a fully completed application form and a covering letter, no more than two side of A4 please, detailing your talents as a teacher and musician, your passion and experiences to date.

I look forward to meeting many of you on a tour or at interview and thank you for your time and interest.

Kind regards

Ms H Porter
Headteacher



Advert

Are you passionate about music? Do you want to bring joy to children through music education? Are you a talented musician? Do you want to be part of school family committed to giving the very best to the children we serve? Can you inspire others with music?



If the answer to these questions is yes then we want to hear from you.

Your role as our new music teacher would involve:

- Teaching whole class music lessons from Nursery to Year 6 including:
 - Singing
 - Percussion
 - Recorder
 - Transcription and composition
- The development and leading of a school choir
- The promotion and management of peripatetic teachers
- Organising community music performances across the year including our annual learning partnership concert at St. George's Hall, Bristol
- Contributing to our school singing assemblies

We are looking for someone who:

- Can bring joy to our school through music
- Is a talented musician able to play the piano
- Is driven to make Kings' Forest a school known for its music
- Can act under their own direction
- Can form positive relationships with all children
- Is a positive team player
- Is willing to go the extra mile for the children we serve
- Can lead music across the school

The school can offer:

- Happy, engaged and well-behaved children
- Supportive leadership team committed to school improvement through collaboration and bespoke CDP
- Excellent resources and a music budget to develop the subject

Applicants are encouraged to visit our school before applying to arrange a visit please contact the school office on 01454 866466 or email admin@kingsforestschoo.co.uk

Selection process:

- Advertisement closes at 12pm on the 22nd April 2021
- Candidates will be notified of invitation to interview by 4:30pm on the 23rd April 2021
- Formal Interviews will take place on 28th April 2021



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Personal Specification

Essential	Desirable
<p>Qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree, 2:1 or 1st, with Qualified Teacher Status. • A commitment to continued professional development. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree in music • Ability to play the piano beyond grade 5 • Post graduate study or desire to undertake further study
<p>Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of working with children and delivering the music curriculum. • Experience of assessment processes • An ability to reshape lesson planning to suit the needs of all learners and ensure good progress. • Experience of working successfully within a team of teachers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of teaching music and singing across a wide age range
<p>Knowledge and Understanding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge and understanding of data analysis and the ability to use data to set targets for improvement. • Strong subject knowledge in the teaching of music • Understanding of how children learn and effectively apply their learning. • Understanding of how to plan provision effectively • Excellent standards of both spoken and written English. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge and understanding of working with parents/carers to develop a learning partnership.
<p>Pastoral and school ethos:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have the highest expectations and aspirations for all children. • Ability to demonstrate a commitment to equality of opportunity for all pupils. • Ability to relate with pupils and to develop trusting and respectful relationships with them. • Have respect for confidentiality of information concerning individual pupils and ability to use discretion in circumstances of disclosure. • Ability to work as part of a team, relating well to colleagues, pupils and parents. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of working successfully with a wide range of people. E.g. Outside agencies, strong partnerships with parents/carers. • Experience of working with children with specific learning or behavioural/emotional needs.
<p>Communication skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing, to a range of audiences. • Willingness to sing daily with the children. • Good organisational and planning skills. • Ability to investigate, solve problems and make decisions. 	

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