Peripatetic Piano Teacher

Application Pack

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THE COTSWOLD SCHOOL

Creating Brilliant Futures

Welcome from Will Morgan, Headteacher

Thank you for your interest in this post.

Based in the stunning village of Bourton-on-the-Water, Gloucestershire, The Cotswold School has earned an 'Outstanding' reputation as a popular and successful 11-18 comprehensive academy.

Please watch our video, Welcome to The Cotswold School, to find out more from teachers and students about what makes our school an inclusive, ambitious and happy place to learn.

I am proud to lead an incredible team of staff, who go the extra mile to provide our students with an inspiring education, fully equipping them for their future lives. The values of friendship and knowledge, symbolised on our badge, underpin all our learning and development activities and ensure that the wellbeing of our students and staff is also cared for.

At the heart of our school ethos is a commitment to excellent teaching and aspiration, which drives progress and attainment. Our students thrive academically and also personally, with opportunities to take part in musical performances and a huge range of extra-curricular clubs; writing competitions and debates; community fundraising; student leadership; and careers events.

We have an inspiring and caring school community, which includes families, local businesses, our staff, PTA and, of course, our students. Why not have a look at our website News pages, to see how we have found ways to support ourselves and others and develop our learning and talents?

Successful candidates who are shortlisted for an interview will be contacted by email or phone.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Will Morgan
Headteacher

Job advert

Roles: Peripatetic Music Teacher – Piano
Reports to: Head of Music Department
Contract: Part Time, approx. 6 hours over one or two days a week, term time only
Pay: £27.72 per hour plus holiday pay
Closing Date: Friday 20th November 2026 at 9am

This is an exciting opportunity for a highly talented pianist, who wishes to make a real impact in this "truly exceptional school" where "behaviour is outstanding" (Ofsted).
From January 2027, we are seeking to appoint a well-qualified and dynamic Piano Teacher to join our ambitious, creative and outstanding music department.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR:
· An inspirational Piano Teacher with a real passion for teaching pupils aged 11-18
· A self-motivated and experienced teacher, able to ensure good progress and outcomes
· A Teacher with experience of preparing pupils for graded exams
· A Teacher willing to immerse themselves and their pupils into the musical life of the School

WE CAN OFFER YOU:
·A supportive music department with a team of highly qualified peripatetic music teachers
·Admin support
·Enthusiastic, hardworking and responsive students
·Option to join a pension scheme with generous employer contribution
·Employee benefits, including an Employee Assistance Programme and Cycle to Work Scheme
·A commitment to staff wellbeing
·Free onsite parking including electric car charging points

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Job description

The Cotswold School Academy Trust – Job Description
Job Title: Peripatetic Music Teacher
Responsible to: Governors, Headteacher, Head of Music Department

Overall Responsibility
• To plan, resource, arrange music for and deliver imaginative, interactive and inspiring instrumental lessons to ensure that effective learning takes place and pupils make excellent progress
• To be accountable for pupil progress and attainment levels of pupils who receive instrumental lessons
• To maintain/establish positive behaviour for learning
• To actively support concerts and music events at the school
• To maintain a presence around the school to ensure that the highest standards of behaviour and site-usage are upheld
• To communicate and liaise with staff, pupils, parents and governors as appropriate
• To be active in issues of staff and pupil welfare and support
• To demonstrate a commitment to Equality of Opportunity for all members of the school's community
• To contribute to the safeguarding and promotion of the welfare and personal care of children and young people with regard to Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) guidance and Area Child Protection Procedures.

Job Outline
• With direction from the Head of Music, to plan and prepare effective peripatetic instrumental lessons and ensemble lessons
• To teach engaging and effective lessons that motivate, inspire and involve pupils and improve pupil attainment
• To use regular assessments to monitor progress and set targets
• To maintain regular and productive communication with parents, to report on progress, sanctions and achievements

Continuing Professional Development
• In conjunction with your line manager, take responsibility for personal professional development, keeping up-to-date with research and developments related to school efficiency, which may lead to improvements in the day-to-day running of the School
•Undertake any necessary professional development as identified in the School Development Plan taking full advantage of any relevant training and development available
• Undergo appropriate training to support the delivery of 'specified work' in order to develop skills for the post
• Maintain a professional portfolio of evidence via SchoolIP to support the Performance Management process - evaluating and improving own practice

The Cotswold School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff, Governors, visitors and volunteers, to share the same commitment.
This position is subject to an enhanced DBS check, satisfactory references and checks regarding suitability to work with children.This post is in regulated activity and is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions Order 1975, amended 2013 & 2020).
The successful applicant will be subject to all necessary checks and be required to provide evidence of identity, right to work in the UK and professional qualifications (where relevant).In line with KCSIE, we will conduct an online search for all shortlisted candidates. Any relevant information will be discussed further with the applicant during the recruitment process.
Whilst every effort has been made to explain the duties and responsibilities of the post each individual task undertaken may not be identified.
We are an equal opportunities employer and value and respect diversity across our whole school community. This job description will be reviewed annually and may be subject to amendment or modification at any time after consultation with the post holder. It is not a comprehensive statement of procedures and tasks but sets out the main expectations of the school in relation to the post holder's professional responsibilities and duties.
Elements of this job description and changes to it may be negotiated at the request of either the Headteacher or the incumbent of the post.

Notes to applicants

• Please do not use the TES or Gloucestershire County Council application form. Please use The Cotswold School Application Form which can be downloaded via our website
• Please complete the application form in full to ensure that full consideration can be given to all candidates and to comply with legal requirements relating to recruitment in schools
• Please do not include a CV or write 'see CV' in any sections on the form
• Please ensure that you include the title of the post that you are applying for (Section 1)
• Please provide an explanation for any gaps in chronological dates relating to education and employment history (Sections 4,5 & 6)
• If you are not writing a covering letter to submit with your application, then please complete Section 10, in full
• Please provide full details of two referees (Section 11)
• Both declarations (Sections 15 & 16) must be signed and dated
• Once completed, please return your application form by email to Mrs C Chapple, cchapple@thecotswoldschool.co.uk
• If returning by post, please send to Mrs C Chapple, The Cotswold School, The Avenue, Bourton on the Water, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL54 2BD
• The closing date and time must be strictly adhered to
• All information given will be treated as confidential

The Cotswold School is committed to equality, diversity and inclusion and welcome applications from all sections of the community. If you require additional help with our recruitment process, please contact Mrs C Chapple, HR Officer (contact details above).

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