Smithills School



"Pride and Respect"

Tutor of Guitar and Performance

Unqualified Teacher Pt 3 £20,492 pa pro-rata – (approx. £20 per hr)

Smithills School is looking to appoint an inspirational and committed peripatetic Guitar teacher to join our vibrant performing arts department.

The successful applicant will have a wealth of experience to be able to teach pupils of all abilities, contributing to our range of performances throughout the school year. The applicant will be able to share their knowledge and expertise of guitar and musical performance, with the ability to inspire through their own playing.

- Required from September 2018
- One full day per week (5 hours) term time only, casual contract
- Must be the same day each week, totalling 38 weeks
- Age range of students: 11 16 years Pupils ranging in standard from beginner upwards
- Unqualified teachers with relevant qualifications and/or experience are welcome to apply

Main Duties

- To teach guitar as required by the Head Performing Arts in group and individual settings.
- To direct and support ensembles as directed by the Head Performing Arts.
- To encourage students to gain musical knowledge and skills through learning in lessons and through the experience of group music making and performing.
- To enrich the education of each student through the provision of appropriate musical experiences and to provide skills that will serve the student for future music making, be it for leisure or professional purposes.
- To inspire a lifelong love and enjoyment of a wide variety of musical genres.
- To assess, in co-operation with the Head Performing Arts, potential pupils' suitability for a particular instrument(s).

- To plan and keep accurate records of lessons, pupil progress and achievement, keep accurate attendance registers and other such records as required by the Head Performing Arts.
- To have and continue to update a thorough knowledge of teaching methods and repertoire and to be able to advise pupils and the school about suitable repertoire and teaching material.
- To advise and encourage pupils to take advantage of appropriate musical activities such as ensembles, competitions and other musical opportunities.
- To be aware of the individual needs' of pupils by liaising with the Head Performing Arts.
- To prepare pupils for the various performances in school and the wider community throughout the year.
- To take part in performances with students and other instrumental staff as required.
- To advise parents and pupils on the appropriate choice and purchase of music and accessories.
- To attend meetings as directed by the Head Performing Arts.
- To perform other such duties related to the job purposes as may be required from time-to-time.
- To practice and uphold the policies of Smithills School.
- This post requires teachers to be self-reliant and to be committed to equality principles and practices.
- Maintaining good order and discipline among pupils and safeguarding their health and safety.

Person Specification

Experience

- A proven track record of directing and performing with guitar ensembles/bands
- Previous experience of providing instrumental tuition
- Experience of working with children
- Experience of working within a formal educational environment
- Able to teach all abilities, individually and in groups

Skills and Qualities

- Aware of the role of instrumental tuition, and of music in general
- Understanding of how to prepare students successfully for graded instrumental examinations
- Able to motivate and inspire children of all abilities and backgrounds
- Able and willing to work as part of a team within the department
- Willing to carry out some duties (e.g. concerts) outside of normal school hours, as reasonable and relevant
- Receptive to new ideas and methods

Enhanced DBS check will be carried out prior to appointment

Please return completed applications to Mrs Lisa Muller , Finance & HR Officer, at HR@smithillsschool.net

Closing date for applications: 12noon on Monday 2nd July 2018

• CVs and late applications will not be accepted