



West Lodge School

A co-educational prep school for 3-11 year olds

Personal Specification for Head of Music role at West Lodge School

| | <u>Essential</u> | <u>Desirable</u> |
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| <u>Qualifications</u> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong qualifications in music | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualified teacher status • Proficiency in more than one instrument |
| <u>Experience</u> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience of teaching music to primary age children (<i>NQTs welcome to apply</i>) • Evidence of good / outstanding music teaching • Able to teach music and singing • Effective behaviour management | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music leader responsibility in a primary school including curriculum development • Experience of rehearsing with children for school performances and concerts • Experience of preparing and entering children for music exams |
| <u>Knowledge & Understanding</u> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sound knowledge of the music National Curriculum • Good knowledge of theory and practice of effective teaching and learning • Understand how to make learning and lessons fun | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of and interest in national and local musical events for children |

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| <p><u>Skills</u></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be able to competently play the piano • Confident communicator verbally and in writing • Good interpersonal skills and a team player • Able to establish high expectations for pupils and parents • Be able to inspire children to develop an interest in and love of music • Be well organised • Use Assessment for Learning Techniques • Have a desire to inspire children who may not learn an instrument • Have competent ICT skills | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be prepared to lead the school orchestra and choir • Run extra-curricular events and clubs (you will be paid for these) • Have an interest in music technology |
| <p><u>Personal Qualities</u></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highly motivated • Imaginative / creative • High personal and professional standards • Fully supportive of the School's ethos and caring towards children • Enthusiastic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progressive and forward thinking • Sense of humour • Willingness to be fully involved in school life |

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