



LORENDEN

Peripatetic Music Teacher: Percussion
Expected beginning from September 2022
Self-employed basis, part-time

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Introduction

Lorenden Prep School is a small, thriving school of approximately 120 pupils with an excellent local reputation; most pupils come to the school from recommendations from other parents or staff. It is a friendly, family environment with one form entry and with high expectations of pupils of all ages. Lorenden received the highest gradings of 'excellent' in all categories in our ISI inspection. The school is a member of IAPS and is part of the Methodist Independent Schools Trust.

Lorenden has flourished because staff have given generously and willingly of their time and energy to aid the academic and personal development of the pupils in the many forms that this may take.

It is the abiding hope of the Governors and Head that all staff will approach their employment by the school in that same spirit. We develop self-disciplined, thoughtful children with a cheerful 'can-do' attitude to life and a strong sense of fair play. We thoroughly prepare our children socially, physically and intellectually for secondary education so that they can take with them happy memories of their time with us.

We are looking for an inspiring peripatetic teacher who loves to teach percussion instruments to join our established team of peripatetic music teachers who work at Lorenden. This will be a music teacher with the ability and passion to interest and inspire children of all ages who want to begin or continue their musical journey with percussion lessons.

The successful applicant will be a team player who would enjoy working in a close-knit and small community where everyone knows each other. An excellent manner in communication with parents, colleagues and pupils alike is essential, as is being kind and friendly to all.

Scope

- The role is self-employed and covered by a contract between the peripatetic music teacher and the school as to working expectations from both sides;
- The rate of pay is agreed by the school for all peripatetic teachers to charge parents;
- The role has a degree of flexibility as to which days can be worked;
- The school envisages a minimum of approximately four hours per week to start with from pupils who would like to learn;
- The role expects a minimum of 30 lessons per pupil, per academic year;
- The role is line managed by the Head of Music;
- There are a number of staff INSET days outside of term time which are published in advance where it is useful to attend remotely or in person;
- It is expected that time will be given appropriately to recruit new pupils and also to showcase pupils' achievements in concerts and other performing opportunities;

Job Description

The role of a peripatetic music teacher includes, but is not limited to:

- Teaching individual music lessons which are engaging, relevant to the age and ability of the child and help them to make progress.
- Teaching group music lessons which are engaging, relevant to the age and ability of the child and help them to make progress.
- Inspiring pupils to continue with their studies and practice at home
- Contributing to the school's pastoral logs and information for the wellbeing and safeguarding of pupils
- Keeping parents informed of lessons and performing opportunities
- Invoicing parents and developing relationships with new parents
- Liaising with the Head of Music and other school staff as appropriate and keeping abreast of relevant email communications within the school
- Arranging exams, in conjunction with the Head of Music as appropriate
- Helping pupils contribute to the musical life and musical leadership of the school
- Be fully up to date with safeguarding procedures and training and other significant school policies
- Be willing to teach remotely should the school need to operate online at any time.
- Attend induction
- Be punctual and professional at all times.

Person Specification

- Relevant music teaching qualification or experience suitable for the role
- An 'outstanding' / excellent teacher
- A leader and inspiring individual
- A team player; ability to work well with colleagues
- Resilient
- Organised
- Adaptable
- Kind and honest
- Committed and willing to go the extra mile
- Able to work to a high level independently; use initiative
- High expectations of pupils

Willing to learn and to improve own practice
Friendly and approachable to colleagues, parents and pupils
Committed to safeguarding pupils

Dates and Deadlines

If you have any questions about the role you are very welcome to contact Mr Richard McIntosh in the first instance by email (head@lorenden.org).

Deadline for Applications: Wednesday 14th September 2022 at 12pm
(Lorenden School reserve the right to close the application window early if sufficient high quality candidates present).

Applications are by email only, addressed to the Head and emailed to head@lorenden.org

References will be sought for short-listed candidates prior to the interview date.

Interviews will be arranged by appointment.
(Interviews will be for part of one day and will be on site).

The role is available from as soon as practically possible after the interview date and relevant checks have been completed.

Lorenden Prep School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and Disclosure and Barring Service.

Safeguarding is of the highest priority at Lorenden and forms part of the interview and reference checks.