

Music Teacher or Team Leader

Do you want to work in a school with a Performing Arts Specialism that puts creativity at the heart of everything we do?

Come and be a part of our exciting future.

Langtree School is a small secondary school in rural Oxfordshire, with 620 fantastic students. We believe our small size is our greatest strength as we are a community in which students are known and valued as individuals and in which they can thrive with the close support of a dedicated team of subject specialist teachers. Many parents choose Langtree for this reason, and we remain heavily oversubscribed. Students are taught in four teaching groups at KS3. Music is a popular option at GCSE. The successful candidate will need to be capable of teaching all ability ranges across all five year groups.

We are now seeking an outstanding Teacher and Team Leader of Music to take the department to even greater success. The successful candidate will be a creative, inspirational teacher, who is seeking to develop their career in a supportive, high performing school. They will have the privilege of teaching fantastic students. The future is very exciting at Langtree and this is a wonderful opportunity for a creative and enthusiastic teacher, with an ambition for future promotion, to join a vibrant school with a very exciting future.

In March 2009 we were designated as an outstanding school by Ofsted. In 2012 we converted to an academy and in our most recent inspection in June 2017, we were rated as a very good school with outstanding features. Behaviour at Langtree is rated as outstanding overall. However, Ofsted judgements are not the priority for Langtree, we prefer to ensure that all students have a productive educational experience whatever their individual strengths and needs. We live by our motto of "Putting Learning First" and ensure all students embrace our core values of Courtesy, Respect and Tolerance.

At Key Stage 3, students have one hour of music per week and are offered a wide and varied curriculum encompassing popular, more traditional and world music. Students complete whole-class and group based composing and performing tasks using a wide range of percussion instruments, keyboards, pianos and computers. Students opt for music at Key Stage 4 and follow the OCR specification.

The Music Department is outstandingly resourced with an extensive selection of percussion instruments, including a wide range of drums; keyboards & electric pianos; six pianos; twelve computer workstations; & a recording studio. There are eight visiting peripatetic music teachers teaching a wide range of string, woodwind, brass, keyboard & piano, quitar, drums, & singing.

The department has a proud history of extracurricular provision. At present there is an orchestra & two choirs. There are regular concerts and the department contributes either to a drama production or a musical each year. Recent productions have included Pan!, Joseph, & Little Shop of Horrors. The department is currently preparing for a performance of Bugsy Malone.

In your supporting statement to your application, I would be grateful if you would respond to the following points:

- Why does this post at Langtree appeal to you at this point in your career?
- How has your previous experience prepared you for the challenges of this post?
- What are the particular skills which you feel would help you to make a success of this post?

If you feel that this post is of interest to you, and that you would be keen to join the staff at Langtree, then we would be delighted to receive your application. Applications for this post, by application form and letter, should be submitted to the Headteacher's PA: mtaylorlane@langtreeschool.com

Application forms can be downloaded from the school website: http://www.langtreeschool.com/vacancies/ I hope that you share our sense of excitement for the future of our school. If so, I would look forward to hearing from you very much indeed.

Simon Bamford, Headteacher. January 2023