

Post: Music Teacher

Required for September 2021 or as soon as possible thereafter

Salary MPS/UPS Fringe

Thank you for your interest in applying to Yavneh College. Below is some information about the post and the school which we hope is helpful. We also enclose a prospectus and application form. Please note that applications cannot be considered unless the application form is completed in full.

The completed application form should be returned to the Executive Headteacher, together with a letter of application.

The school is committed to safeguarding children and young people. The selection process includes scrutiny of the information provided in the completed application form, taking up references, observation of a taught lesson and an interview. If you are shortlisted for interview, please bring with you, original copies of your relevant qualifications including English and Mathematics GCSE, degree and teaching qualifications. In addition, we will need to have sight of your passport and/or driving licence as well as a recent utility bill. All appointments are subject to a satisfactory enhanced Criminal Records Bureau disclosure.

NQTs are very welcome to apply and will be well supported by our induction programme.

The Music Department

The Music department is part of the Creative Arts faculty, working closely with Art, Technology and Drama and is led by a full-time faculty Leader. It has a vibrant and exciting presence within the school. Music is celebrated and enjoyed by staff and students alike and is a very popular aspect of education at Yavneh. The music department offers many extracurricular activities such as the school choir, instrumental lessons and works closely with drama for the annual school production as well as many enrichment opportunities.

The department occupies a large classroom, recording studio/drum room and two practice rooms. Rooms are equipped with ceiling-mounted data projectors connected to computers, speakers, wireless network and visualizers. The classroom has 24 pupil desktop computers



with Mixcraft8 and Sibelius installed on all, with midi keyboards. The department is fully stocked with all necessary equipment including a class set of Djembe Drums, acoustic guitars and pianos in different areas around the school.

Being part of the Creative Arts faculty allows the opportunity for Art, Technology, Music and Drama to all work closely together and be part of a bigger team. The faculty currently consists of eight experienced and well-qualified teachers and two full time technicians. It prides itself on the diversity of work produced across all of the subjects and strives to utilize the specialisms of individual teachers.

We are looking for a music teacher to join our team who is:

- Passionate about their subject and ambitious for their students
- Able to evidence raising achievement and delivering excellence
- Wanting to contribute to extracurricular activities and the celebration of music throughout the school.
- Excited to work within a team of Art, Music, Drama and technology staff to help make a creative environment which celebrates achievement

General information about the school

Yavneh College is located adjacent to the Elstree Film and Television Studios in Borehamwood, Hertfordshire. The town of Borehamwood lies within Green Belt countryside on the outskirts of north London. Borehamwood and Elstree Station, 10 minutes' walk from the school, provides a fast and frequent train service south to Central London and north to St Albans and Luton. The main bus station for Borehamwood is a three-minute walk from the school and provides services to the local Hertfordshire towns and north London suburbs.

Yavneh College opened in September 2006 and is an 11-18 co-educational comprehensive school. The school was granted Academy status in July 2011. Yavneh College has a £30m purpose-built campus for 1,000 pupils. We have state-of-the-art facilities and equipment throughout the site.

The appointment of a very experienced and successful Senior Leadership Team and teaching staff has meant that the school has enjoyed a reputation for excellence from its inception. Children of staff receive priority for admission to the school (full details are available in the admission section of the school website).



Our Ofsted inspection in March 2011 graded Yavneh College as 'Outstanding'. The full report can be found on our website www.yavnehcollege.org

As a comprehensive school, we are committed to all of our pupils realising their full academic potential. We believe that this is best achieved by teaching pupils in sets rather than in streams, bands or mixed ability groups. Lower ability pupils are taught in smaller sets and are supported by learning support assistants.

As a Jewish faith school, our aim is to produce young people who are confident about their identity as members of the Jewish community and of wider British society, and well equipped with the academic qualifications and wider key skills necessary for successful participation in today's employment

There is no requirement for staff to be Jewish; we welcome applications from all sections of the community and appoint the best. The majority of our current staff are not Jewish.

If you have never worked in a Jewish school before, the following information may be helpful: school finishes at 1.30pm on Fridays. For a number of weeks during the winter months, school finishes at 1.10pm on Fridays. The school day starts at 8.30am and ends at 4pm on Mondays to Thursdays. We have the same number of days' holiday as other state schools, but our holiday dates can be different if Jewish festivals coincide with the school term. Education is highly valued by parents and pupils and they are ambitious in terms of examination success and future career paths.

Extracurricular activities are very important at Yavneh College and pupils are encouraged to partake in a range of wider experiences. As well as sports, fixtures, whole-school productions, theatre trips etc, we timetable more than 60 extracurricular activities into the school day on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays as a 55-minute slot (the 'Enrichment Programme') for all KS3 pupils, immediately after lunch. KS4 pupils participate in an enrichment on a Wednesday every week. Enrichment activities are delivered by the teaching staff and are included when calculating teachers' contact time.

We hope that this provides you with all that you need to know in order to decide whether you wish to apply. If, however, there is anything further, please do not hesitate to contact the Executive Headteacher via his PA. He will be pleased to answer your queries.