

Subject Leader - Music

Dates:	Apply by Friday 7 th May 2021
Location:	Rickmansworth
Contract type:	Part Time (0.5FTE)
Contract term:	Permanent
Salary:	Academy Trust Payscale based on skills and experience, plus additional Reach Points
Start Date:	September 2021

The Reach Free School is looking to appoint an enthusiastic and committed Subject Leader of Music to join our team of talented, energetic and visionary teachers.

Music forms part of the Creative Arts department, which also includes drama and art and design. The initial focus of this role would be to deliver Music to pupils at Key Stage 3 with the aim of generating interest in the subject and looking to promote it across the school, establishing a suitable curriculum at Key Stages 4 and 5.

The school values the opportunity that an interest in music can have on a young person and, along with other elements of the creative arts curriculum, forms a core part of the enjoyment ethos. Pupils actively engaging in a suitable and accessible music curriculum will be a core aspect of this role. We have the facilities; a dedicated music classroom and two peripatetic teaching spaces and now we need an individual to take on the role of Subject Leader - Music and inspire our pupils in the subject. There is interest across the school and we currently have a well established and popular peripatetic music programme, offering private lessons in an array of instruments and vocal practice. It is now time for us to re-establish the subject on the curriculum as part of a carousel of creative arts.

In order for the success of this department to continue, it is an expectation that music, drama and art work closely together on both the curriculum and extracurricular offer. Collectively there is an expectation that the department will put on musical and dramatic performances which raise the profile of the subjects and inspire future cohorts to take up the subject.

This position is a new role in the school with great scope and potential to further elevate these subjects. The Subject Leader for Music will report to the Head of Creative Arts. This is an excellent career opportunity offering valuable leadership and management experience that would provide the ideal preparation for further middle or senior leadership roles.

We are looking for an expert practitioner with successful teaching experience across the age and ability range, and someone who demonstrates a good understanding of the potential of technology to enhance learning.

You will have a passion for music and a track record of excellent teaching, collaboration and creativity. You will hold and embody the highest expectations of your pupils and will have the drive and ambition to create an outstanding environment for learning, in both disciplines and beyond.

The Reach Free School is looking for its Subject Leaders to:

- Be outstanding practitioners who inspire pupils and colleagues
- Be creative in delivering a rigorous, academic curriculum
- Believe that every child can and will succeed
- Be committed to securing the best outcomes for all pupils at the school with an understanding of how data can be used to maximise progress

- Have a passion for education and be open to innovative approaches in everyday aspects of school life
- Be excited about helping to design and create every aspect of the school, including the curriculum, policies and the extended day programme
- Be flexible, collaborative and resilient
- Support and mentor colleagues who are training

In return we will offer you:

- The opportunity to be a key member of staff and help build on the school's successes to date
- A happy and supportive working environment with high expectations and standards
- Access to the latest technology to assist in developing your teaching and learning
- Competitive salaries, based on skills and experience
- A network of outstanding practitioners to collaborate with and learn from
- Access to a BUPA cash plan to contribute to medical care

The Reach Free School is a successful and rapidly growing secondary Free School, which opened in September 2013. The over-subscribed school is a popular choice for local families. In September 2018 the school moved into a brand new purpose built building right in the heart of the community that it serves.

If the challenges of working to develop a local school appeal to you, then we would like to hear from you.

Further information is available from our website: www.thereachfreeschool.co.uk

Potential candidates are encouraged to contact The Reach Free School with any questions on 01923 711517 or via email to Mrs S Berman, Headteacher's PA at sberman@reachfree.co.uk

Closing date for applications: Apply by Friday 7th May 2021

Interviews to take place: Week commencing Monday 10th May 2021

The Reach Free School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and expects all staff to share this commitment. In accordance with our Safer Recruitment Policy we are unable to process applications without a fully completed application form. The successful applicant must obtain DBS clearance at enhanced level. The school will also carry out a prohibition from teaching check. Non-disclosure may lead to termination of your employment.