



Thornden School

Teacher of Music

Maternity Cover (initially for two terms)

Salary:	Main Scale
Hours:	0.8 (each weekday except Wednesday)
Contract:	Maternity cover for two terms, ideally starting 24 May 2021
Requirements:	The ability to teach Music to an outstanding level at all levels including GCSE
More Information:	This post is suitable for a Newly Qualified Teacher

Thornden School is part of the HISP Multi Academy Trust, which was formed in January 2020. As a MAT, we aim to ensure that our schools have strong and talented leadership and staff, who in turn will ensure that the young people who are in each of the MAT schools have access to excellent education, support and wider opportunities.

Thornden is an oversubscribed, outstanding school serving Chandler's Ford and the surrounding area with just over 1470 students on roll. We have an ambitious ethos based on high expectations for all. Our students are proud of their academic and wider achievements, having a belief in their own success and ability to succeed which continues beyond our school with a high percentage of Thornden students excelling at local colleges and then at further and higher education.

In the results for 2019, 90% of our students achieved 5 or more 9-4 grades including English and Maths and 54% achieved the English Baccalaureate. Our value added performance was 0.65 in 2019 which puts the school at the top of the league tables for Hampshire. We had anticipated even better performance and outcomes for 2020.

Thornden is a busy and dynamic school with a strong focus on developing the whole child. We have a vibrant performing arts department that encourages students to embrace a rich cultural education beyond the more traditional subjects. Alongside our formal curriculum provision, we offer a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities including numerous instrumental and vocal ensembles run by Thornden staff and peripatetic teachers. We firmly believe that by engaging students and encouraging enjoyment, we can inspire them to learn and achieve, therefore helping them to develop into fully contributing and happy members of our community. Thornden also leads a large successful Teaching School alliance with an outstanding School Centred Initial Teacher Training programme and we are a Research School.

Thornden School would like to appoint an inspirational and innovative Teacher of Music to cover a period of maternity leave for 4 days a week (not Wednesdays), initially for two terms. The Music department is a very successful department, following the Eduqas (WJEC) exam syllabus for GCSE, and seeking to make music accessible, enjoyable, and educational for all. In class, students are encouraged to perform, compose and listen to a wide range of musical styles from across the world. In addition to teaching music notation to lower school students, the department widely use electronic keyboards in our teaching, as well as percussion instruments, and computers linked to MIDI keyboards. We also use Mixcraft for recording and editing work in our specialist music block. At GCSE level, students are taught the core skills of performing, composing, listening and appraising in a practical and fully integrated manner.

If you wish to apply for this role, please review our full Job Description and Person Specification, and complete our Teaching application form. These documents can all be downloaded from our website at <https://www.thornden.hants.sch.uk/joining-us/vacancies/>. Completed application forms can be emailed to hr@hispmat.org or submitted by post to HR Officer, HISP MAT, Thornden School, Winchester Road, Chandlers Ford, Eastleigh, Hampshire, SO53 2DW.

The HISP Multi Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We will ensure that all our recruitment and selection practices reflect this commitment. All successful candidates will be subject to Disclosure and Barring Service checks along with other relevant employment checks. We are also committed to providing equality of opportunity at all stages of the recruitment and selection process and ensuring that candidates are treated fairly and lawfully throughout the process.

Closing Date -
Application form & further details -

Monday 10th May 2021 at 12 noon
www.thornden.hants.sch.uk/vacancies

Informal Enquiries -

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