



**The Blue Coat  
School**



March 2025

Dear Potential Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Teacher of Music at The Blue Coat School (<http://www.blue-coat.org>).

From humble beginnings, we have become one of the biggest, and most successful schools in the country. The school has a national reputation for high-quality teaching and learning, pastoral care, consistently high examinations results, and outstanding progress. Our most recent Ofsted Inspection, in 2022, judged the school to be outstanding in every category.

Blue Coat is dedicated to serving young people, to enable them to become everything they can be and everything they are meant to be. We are a Church of England school that welcomes staff and students of other Christian denominations, and of other faiths, and none. Our Anglican beliefs, values and worship are the core of our life together in school.

We are looking for a creative, inspiring, sharing and thoughtful practitioner to join our already outstanding Music department and help to take it to the next level. We want someone who has a love for Music and will use their passion for the subject to inspire our young people in the classroom and also through our extensive extra-curricular offer. Our award-winning brass and jazz bands and our choir are very popular with pupils, and we are looking for someone who will enjoy working with our elite musicians. Our musicians also take stage at our big school events – Founder's Day, Speech Night, Christmas and Easter services so this post is ideal for someone who takes pride in seeing our young people flourish and excel in showpiece performances.

The successful candidate will be supported by the Head of Music and will have the opportunity to teach across all Key Stages. We will shape the timetable of the successful applicant dependent upon their experience to date, so whilst there will be the opportunity to teach GCSE and A-Level, this is not a requirement in the first year. Likewise, this is something the postholder will be able to pick up from September 2025 if they so desire.

This is a full-time music post, but we may ask the successful candidate to teach a few hours of an additional subject (only to KS3). This would be dependent upon qualifications and experience, and we would not ask anyone to teach anything they would be uncomfortable with and also provide full resources and support for any teaching outside of the music department.

**Continuing our  
legacy of excellence.**

**We are a proud member of Cranmer Education Trust.**  
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This is an exciting role and wonderful opportunity for someone who is passionate about music. The music department at Blue Coat has a proud history and a very strong local and national reputation that the successful applicant will contribute to and become part of. It is a post for a dedicated, energetic and creative professional who is looking to develop in an outstanding school and work with our dedicated and talented musicians.

The person specification sets out the key experience, commitment and essential professional skills and qualities that we are looking for.

Full details about the post and application form are available from:

<https://careers.cranmereducationtrust.com/vacancies>

If you would like to discuss the position further, please contact Clare Ainsworth, PA to Headteacher ([secretary@blue-coat.org](mailto:secretary@blue-coat.org)) to arrange a call with the Head of Department.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr R. Higgins**  
**Headteacher**  
**The Blue Coat School**

