

ABINGDON LEARNING TRUST



We are a friendly, caring and inclusive community:

Proud of our creativity

Passionate about learning

Keen to inspire

Valuing ourselves and each other

Determined to be the best that we can be

Subject Leader of Music

Salary Grade: MPS/UPS (if post threshold).

TLR: TLR 2(1)

Contract Type: Permanent, full time

Closing Date: Thursday 18th May at noon

Interview Date: To be advised. Should a suitable candidate be identified before the closing date, the vacancy may be closed early.

Start: 1 September 2023

John Mason School has a vibrant and eclectic range of music on offer; in the last few years prior to the pandemic we performed an opera, several (wonderful) whole school musicals, run folk, jazz, rock, pop, brass, orchestra and a range of thriving singing and choral groups, including a male voice choir. We returned from the pandemic with a fabulous performance of Bussy Malone, and more recently have re-introduced the big band, string quartet, and various other singing and playing ensembles.

An exciting opportunity has arisen to lead within our creative, inspirational and talented Performing Arts team. We are seeking to appoint an energetic and inspiring practitioner to lead Music within the faculty, and to further develop the incredible opportunities that are already well established and celebrated at John Mason School. This post will enable the successful candidate to capture and develop the breadth of talent in the school, as well develop stronger collaborations with local schools and music groups. We have a purpose-built music block with several practice rooms and a simple recording studio. There is ample opportunity to shape and develop the department and we are looking for a dedicated, creative practitioner to be part of our team who believes in the power of music and the future of creative industries.

Staff well-being is noticeably valued at John Mason School. Lesson observations are formative and non-judgemental. Feedback and assessment policies are bespoke to each faculty allowing teachers time to plan responsively, students to take responsibility for their own learning and parents to take an active part in supporting their children.

The successful candidate will be:

- an enthusiastic musician able to ignite interest in music and the performing arts from students and colleagues.
- committed to ensuring all students reach their potential regardless of prior attainment.
- capable of promoting partnerships and collaborative working in our school, across the Abingdon Learning Trust and in the wider performing arts teaching community.
- a role model for our students and staff.

<http://www.johnmason.oxon.sch.uk/teaching-staff-vacancies>



ABINGDON LEARNING TRUST



- effective in setting and attaining high standards of student progress.
- active in working to develop their own teaching practice.

In return we will offer you:

- the support and satisfaction of being part of a dynamic and creative team led by very experienced staff.
- students who have a desire to achieve and respect the school's expectations.
- a programme of supported induction and continuing professional development firmly rooted in educational research.
- a commitment to supporting the well-being of all staff.

***An application pack is available from the John Mason School website or from
recruitment@abingdonlearningtrust.org
CVs alone are not acceptable.***

Abingdon Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding children and young people. All post holders in regulated activity are subject to appropriate vetting procedures and a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service Enhanced check. The Trust is fully committed to the principles of equal opportunity, diversity and inclusion and welcomes applications from less well represented groups in the school and Trust. Posts in regulated activity are exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (ROA) 1974 and all shortlisted candidates will be required to disclose information about their previous criminal convictions. All staff are expected to promote fundamental British values.

<http://www.johnmason.oxon.sch.uk/teaching-staff-vacancies>

