

# **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Cognita Schools are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers and other third parties to share this commitment. Safer recruitment practice and pre-employment background checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed

| Position Title       | Teacher Assistant         | Reference: 20102022 |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Function/Department  | Music                     | Location: Woodleigh |
| Manager Name & Title | Head of Department, Music |                     |
| Position Type        | Permanent                 |                     |
| Position Status      | Part Time                 |                     |

# **Position Objective**

The role of the Music Teacher Assistant is essentially to assist the Instrumental Music and Performance [ IMP] Teachers in the delivery of the Music Instrumental Program. Ensuring Elementary students arrive on time and are prepared for their instruction. In addition, supporting the wider music department within and outside the classroom to ensure students are safe, happy and learning in a positive and nurturing environment.

### Responsibilities

The job holder's responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons for whom they are responsible, or with whom they come into contact will be to adhered to and ensure compliance with the relevant Cognita Safeguarding; Child Protection Policy and Procedures at all times. If in the course of carrying out the duties of the role, the job holder identifies any instance that a child is suffering or likely to suffer significant harm either at school or at home, they must report any concerns to the School's Designated Safeguarding Lead or to the Head or indeed to the Cognita Regional Safeguarding Manager so that a referral can be made accordingly to the relevant third party services.

## Relationships:

- Developing trusting and effective relationships with the all the children in the class and their parents
- Establishing supportive and positive working relationships with all other members of staff
- Becoming a presence across the whole school and a representative of it within its wider community

### **Educational role:**

- Collecting students from classes to attend IMP Lesson
- Organizing the TA schedule and route
- Supervision of students between lessons
- Under the direction of the Music Administrator and Head of Department, assist with organizational and logistical tasks
- Support elementary class teachers with planning and administrative tasks when required

## **Extended professional role:**

- Contributing towards the whole-school team spirit by taking every opportunity to promote the philosophy and policies of the Stamford American International School
- Taking responsibility for the class teacher during times of emergency
- Supervising the children at break/lunch and other unstructured times
- Assisting with the children's safe use of school transport arrangements



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#### **General:**

• To provide any other reasonable duties delegated by the School Management

# **Position Requirements**

- Ability to work under pressure and use of initiative is essential
- Possess highly developed interpersonal and teamwork skill
- Excellent verbal and written English skills
- Good references on request
- Proficient in using computers
- Demonstrates the Stamford Values Courage, Ingenuity, Compassion, Integrity

## Qualifications

• At least 1 year of experience in working with children or relevant educational certificate/diploma required

## Contacts

- Other Stamford Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff
- Parents and Students
- PTA

## **Working Conditions**

- School Environment
- Working hours 8am to 4:30pm, Monday to Friday, plus occasional staff meetings and trainings
- School holidays are paid and free except staff days and training days (please refer to the website to see the school calendar with school holiday dates)

## **Terms of Employment**

Medical Benefits: Medical insurance provided where applicable

Sick Leave/Hosp: 60 days hospitalization leave including 14 days sick leave, pro-rated basis

Probation Period: 3 months from date of commencement

Pre-medical exam: Might be required

Referee request: RequiredBackground Check: Required