

TEACHER OF ITALIAN

Candidate Information Pack



Closing date for applications:
1 June 2020

Purpose of the role:

- Under the reasonable direction of the Head of Modern Languages, carry out professional duties as an teacher of Italian for two hours per week.
- To raise standards of pupil attainment and achievement whilst monitoring and supporting pupil progress.



Key points about the role:

Contract type:

Self-employed

Start date:

September 2020

Salary:

Competitive

Reporting to:

Head of Modern Languages

Hours:

2 hours per week, term-time only.

The Yehudi Menuhin School

The Yehudi Menuhin School was founded in 1963 thanks to the vision and determination of an extraordinary musician and world citizen, the celebrated violinist Yehudi Menuhin. A brilliant educator, he feared that the lack of specialist music provision for children at an early age would result in an irreversible decline in the provision of world-class instrumentalists.

Inspired by a visit to Moscow's Central School for Young Musicians, Menuhin set out to develop a specialist music school in the UK for extraordinarily gifted children. These boys and girls, aged between seven and nineteen, would come from all corners of the globe, regardless of their race, creed or parents' financial position. His vision was that the School would not only attract potentially the most outstanding performers of their generation in string instruments and piano, but that they would also become well-rounded and compassionate people as a result of the high quality academic activities and pastoral care provision. Menuhin was also passionate in his belief that the School should share its music with the local community.

In 1964 the School moved from London to its current location in Cobham, Surrey, and gradually expanded to include new teaching and boarding blocks. In 1973 the School was accorded special status as a 'Centre for Excellence for the Performing Arts' and was one of the first schools to receive support from the Department for Education's Music and Dance Scheme. January 2006 saw the opening of the 300-seat Menuhin Hall, greatly enhancing the performance opportunities for the pupils and allowing the development of a 'Celebrity Series', attracting musicians of international renown. In 2016, new Music Studios were opened, providing state-of-the art teaching and practice facilities.

Starting with just 15 pupils in September 1963, the School has expanded significantly over the last five decades while remaining true to Menuhin's values and ethos, and currently hosts 85 boys and girls from 22 nationalities.

Working here

The School is set in gorgeous grounds and we offer a friendly working environment with a strong sense of community. Staff and pupils are on first name terms, and all staff are encouraged to take an active part in the broader life of the School.

We place a high value on the on-going professional development of all our staff as well as the full induction and training of all new staff.

We are committed to the wellbeing of all pupils and staff, and provide a 'no-smoking' environment.

Job Description

- To keep pupils safe with knowledge and experience of safeguarding
- To act in accordance with the school's policies and code of conduct
- To maintain a thorough and up-to-date understanding of the specifications for GCSE and A Level Italian
- To demonstrate excellent classroom practice, including the ability to motivate pupils and help them to achieve their full potential
- To employ teaching and learning strategies which meet pupils' individual needs
- To use assessment to inform planning for good teaching and learning
- To evidence, diligence and expertise in preparing and delivering first-rate lessons with clear aims and objectives
- To be able and willing to work with colleagues in MFL and throughout the school
- To have a good working knowledge of ICT
- To act always in the best educational, social, moral and pastoral interests of the pupils
- To support school the ethos and aims
- To write reports on pupils in line with departmental and school guidance
- To attend annual parents' meeting(s)



Person Specification

The successful candidate will possess the following experience, skills, knowledge and attributes:

- The ability to develop a positive professional relationship with students, encourage and foster intellectual curiosity
- Intellectual rigour
- Patience and humour
- The ability to be proactive, show initiative and work independently
- High moral standards
- Excellent time management
- The ability to reflect on one's practice and pursue constant improvement
- The ability to deal with inappropriate behaviour quickly and effectively accordingly

Education and Qualifications

- Educated to degree level or equivalent
- Qualified Teacher Status
- Fluent speaker and knowledge of Italian

How to apply

If you would like to apply for this role, [please download the application form](#) from the Employment Opportunities page on the School website.

Your application form should be completed in full and returned along with a covering letter to Lucy Flower (recruitment@menuhinschool.co.uk) by 5pm on Monday 1 June. Should you require any further assistance or to discuss the role informally, please contact Lucy via email.

The date for the interview is flexible and the interview will be conducted by video conference.



The Yehudi Menuhin School is committed to safeguarding the welfare of children. The School is registered with the DBS and successful applicants will be required to complete successfully the Disclosure Procedure at Enhanced level. It is an offence for a person barred from working with children to apply for this post.

The Yehudi Menuhin School is committed to Equal Opportunities and welcomes applications from all sections of the community.



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