



# Merchant Taylors' School

## MERCHANT TAYLORS' PRIMARY SCHOOL, LIVERPOOL

Appointment of

### **Peripatetic Teacher of Piano**

Required ASAP

#### **Candidate Brief**

Merchant Taylors' Primary School

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## **About Merchant Taylors' School**

This year, our historic independent school celebrates its 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

We are widely recognised as one of the finest schools in the North West of England, with a rich heritage of educating girls and boys aged 4 to 18.

We are a family of nationwide Schools, and we currently have four schools in Crosby; i) Mixed Infants aged 4 – 7 & Junior Girls aged 7- 11, ii) Junior Boys aged 7- 11 iii) Senior Boys aged 11 – 18 and iv) Senior Girls aged 11- 18.

Alongside the rigorous academic curriculum, we offer an abundance of other opportunities, including a vibrant range of clubs and sporting activities designed to inspire and develop the talents of each pupil.

Whether it's on the stage, in the concert hall, on the sports field or working in the community, our pupils will have the chance to grow in areas outside the classroom. Our committed and inspiring teachers seek to nurture a spirit of inquiry and curiosity in all our pupils, helping them to develop to their fullest potential.

We are committed to creating a warm, caring community where people look out for one another.

## **The Role**

An excellent opportunity has arisen for an outstanding and forward-thinking professional to join Merchant Taylors' family of Schools in Liverpool.

Merchant Taylors' is an independent Day School, which provides education for boys and girls aged 4 to 18 years old. Based in Crosby, to the north of Liverpool city centre, we serve a wide catchment area across Liverpool, Merseyside, Lancashire and Cheshire.

Our School is located on three sites, within walking distance of each other, the 'Schools' as a foundation incorporates 4 single sex schools with a co-educational reception to Year 2 department. The co-ed infants and junior girls are located on one site; junior and senior boys together on another site and the senior girls situated on the third site. Both senior schools have a dedicated single-sex sixth form.

Academic standards are high, with the best A Levels results for an independent school in the region, and there are excellent facilities for sport, music, art and drama. Whilst academic work is of prime importance, what happens in the classroom is only one aspect of a Merchant Taylors' education. Our aim is to deliver the "best education for life".

The individual schools have all the benefits of single-sex education, however pupils also enjoy many opportunities to mix outside of the classroom through extra-curricular activities, drama productions and joint social events.

The Professional Services team led by the Director of Finance and Operations include the following functions Finance; Procurement; Estates and Facilities; HR; ICT; Marketing; Admissions, Development and our Sports Centre business. Each school has its own Senior Management Team and the professional services staff work alongside them as business partners.

Founded in 1620 by John Harrison, citizen and Merchant Taylor of London, the Schools are proud of their historical links to The Merchant Taylors' Company and look forward to celebrating their 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2020. This is an exciting time to join our Schools as we reflect upon our history, celebrate our community and focus on the future.

**Purpose of the Job:**

To work as a member of the Music team in a Peripatetic Teaching role ensuring pupils fulfil their potential as they become some of the finest young, well-rounded musicians in the country. We expect pupils to work through their grades and perform regularly in concerts. Our musicians are an extension of the Merchant Taylors' reputation and so we expect only the very highest standard.

**Specific Responsibilities:**

- Organising your own timetable.
- Arranging an ensemble rehearsal if required.
- Being part of the Music community in school and supporting the department when requested to attend concerts, occasional meetings and the annual parent's evenings.
- Ensure your pupils are progressing from lesson to lesson using the register system recording pupils' practice and attendance.
- Ensure pupils are submitted for the in-school exams on time with the expectation for them to at least pass.
- To cover music theory in lessons and managing the time effectively so pupils receive well-rounded lessons.
- You are encouraged to meet with the Foundation Director of Music should you have any concerns or suggestions on how you may be better supported to teach to your full potential in a role you which are proud of as the reputation for musical excellence at Merchant Taylors' grows further.

**Marketing:**

- To be an ambassador for Merchant Taylors' School; representing the School with professionalism, enthusiasm and loyalty at all times.
- To understand and appreciate the ethos, aims and objectives of Merchant Taylors' School, and be able to relate these to the wider community when required/asked.

| <b>Job title – Teacher of Piano</b>   |  |                  |
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| <b>Criteria</b>   | <b>Essential</b>                               | <b>Desirable</b> |
| <b>Qualifications</b>   |  |                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Educated to degree level or equivalent (desirable)</li> </ul>  |  | ✓                |
| <b>Experience</b>   |  |                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, together with the ability to work collaboratively and courteously with colleagues throughout the Merchant Taylors' Schools' community including staff, students and Parents</li> <li>Ability to work independently under own initiative</li> <li>Ability to plan and co-ordinate activities, establishing clear priorities and deadlines</li> <li>Ability to work in a team</li> <li>High professional and ethical standards for handling confidential information</li> <li>Ability to play with a mastery of one's instrument and display flair and passion to teach others to do likewise</li> <li>ABRSM Grade 8+</li> </ul> | ✓<br><br>✓<br><br>✓<br><br>✓<br><br>✓<br><br>✓ | ✓                |
| <b>Aptitude</b>   |  |                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adaptability and flexibility</li> <li>Intuitive</li> <li>Experience working with young children</li> </ul>   | ✓<br>✓<br>✓                                    |                  |

### **Working Arrangements**

**Job title** Teacher of Piano

**Hours of Work** Flexible- based on student interest

### **Safeguarding Statement**

The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Applicants will be required to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.