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JOB DESCRIPTION

General Music Teacher – Early Years (Maternity Cover for Spring 2025)

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REPORTING TO: Head of Music Department

PURPOSE OF THE JOB:

The development of musical skills and knowledge in General Music not only helps reinforce fundamental life skills such as movement, steady beat, and singing, but also helps students learn the basics of music reading, playing instruments in a group, and appreciating different aspects of music as a listener. General Music is required for Grades ECP to 5 and occurs during the school day. The curriculum includes music reading, solfege fluency, music history, world music understanding, playing on percussion and Orff pitched instruments, singing, recorder playing, and movement to music.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Teaching classroom for Early Years students.
- Use inspired teaching practices and tested pedagogy to inculcate in students a love for learning Music.
- Embrace the department's focus on student-centered learning, particularly eliciting creative and critical responses to a range of course texts.
- Actively reviewing their progress against clear targets and success criteria.
- Maintain & update existing curriculum maps and related documents such as unit plans and rubrics.
- Work collaboratively with members of the Music department, positively contributing to departmental tasks, such as policies, common assessments, instructional practices, and grading practice.
- Set appropriate tasks and challenges according to the published timetable, and ensure that work is regularly evaluated, with constructive feedback.
- Maintain accurate records of student progress in line with departmental and school policy.
- Deal with inappropriate behavior quickly and effectively and in accordance with the school's Guiding Principles and bent toward Restorative Justice.

Teachers at Woodstock are expected to:

Accept and support Woodstock's inclusive <u>Religious Life Policy</u>.



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- Draw upon Woodstock's Guiding Principles when making decisions and when communicating with others.
- Participate actively and positively in the life and work of the Woodstock community.
- Participate as a reflective life-long learner in annual evaluation, and take advantage of professional development opportunities.

Teachers at Woodstock generally follow a schedule that includes the following commitments:

- Teach up to 8 Classes in a 6-day cycle.
- Attend departmental, school level teams and all staff meetings.
- Participate in orientation and professional development days each semester.

Skills and Qualifications Required:

- Music teaching credential/ license.
- Orff and Kodaly training a plus. Piano, vocal, and/or instrumental skills are also desirable.
- Experience in the relevant subject area.
- Proven ability to work effectively in a team, preferably in a multi–cultural environment involving both national and international staff.
- Classroom management strategies and pedagogical practice that reflect Woodstock's values.