

c/o The Bursar Royal Grammar School Amersham Road HIGH WYCOMBE Buckinghamshire HP13 6QT

# Violin/Viola Teacher

### Are you:

- An experienced and committed violin/viola teacher who is passionate about widening participation and facilitating excellence in music making?
- Enthusiastic and knowledgeable about teaching young string players?
- Particular about perfecting set-up and technique while energetic and fun in your approach?
- Happy to teach violin or viola?



# About the opportunity

Chiltern Music Academy is seeking a violin/viola teacher to teach a Find Your Forte (group of 6) class on Saturday mornings in term time.

The chosen applicant will also be invited to build private teaching at CMA for the rest of the morning if desired. You will have a free hand in organising private students, 1:1 or in small groups, and are free to set your own rates with parents. (Most of our teachers charge £20-25 per half-hour lesson.) CMA will give you a practice room from which to teach. We expect lesson schedules to be optimised around any CMA ensembles the students are in and can help you with scheduling. CMA operates from Wycombe High School on Saturdays, 9am-2pm.

If you are interested, there may also be weekday work available, supporting CMA's 'Sing & String' outreach programme in local primary schools.

#### Interested?

To apply for this role please complete the online application form

If you would like to find out more, please email alex.king@chilternmusicacademy.org

CMA is committed to the safeguarding and protection of children and young people and we follow safer recruitment practises. All appointments are subject to at least two satisfactory references and appropriate enhanced DBS checks.

We welcome musicians who come from the diverse communities we serve and are committed to working with people who reflect our society. If you require any support or have accessibility needs please let us know so we can assist you.

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## **Experience required:**

#### **Essential:**

- Violin or viola teaching
- A wide range of violin or viola playing experience

#### Desirable:

- Teaching children aged 4 11
- Ability to teach both violin and viola
- Expertise and knowledge of the variety of string teaching techniques for beginners (eg Paul Rolland, Suzuki)
- Experience of small or large group teaching and running ensembles
- Participation in community music or school-led projects

#### The successful applicant will:

- Understand, support and promote the ethos of Chiltern Music Academy and be committed to its aims of widening access and participation and achieving excellence in music making
- Be an enthusiastic, creative and talented musician
- Be keen to develop professionally and invest in their own training
- Be committed to empowering and enabling young people to make the most of their skills and opportunities
- Empathise with and relate to beginner musicians, being able to motivate and enthuse
- Be an effective and co-operative team player
- Liaise with the CMA Management Team to ensure well-organised provision
- Engage with the other string teachers to optimise the development of CMA's young string players
- Be responsible for communicating with students' families and/or providing cover for your lessons if you are unable to teach
- Be required to undertake Child Safeguarding Training and to provide an up-to-date DBS certificate, or consent to an enhanced DBS check

#### About Chiltern Music Academy

Chiltern Music Academy (CMA) is a community charity offering children aged 4-18+ access to musical activities designed to inspire a love of music and to help them to reach their full potential. Operating from schools in High Wycombe, we deliver a complete musical education outside school hours: instrumental teaching, theory, musicianship and a wide range of ensembles. CMA serves families from all backgrounds and is proud to have created an inclusive, welcoming community.

Find Your Forte (FYF) gives members in year 3-6 a year of small-group instrumental teaching with instrument hire included, making learning an instrument accessible to families of all backgrounds.

Since its foundation in 2014, CMA has been nationally recognised for innovation, excellence and service to the community, and has won many awards for education and performance. We are constantly creating solutions to address the lack of music teaching in schools and to inspire local children in areas of deprivation to play music.