



GORDONSTOUN

INTERNATIONAL  
**SUMMER**  
SCHOOL

**MUSIC TEACHER**

**Reports to:** Head of Department (Music)

**Role Context:** GISS was founded in 1976 and is widely recognised as offering one of the world's most prestigious summer programmes. 300 boys and girls, aged 8-16 and from over 40 countries attend GISS each year.

**Job Purpose:** The music teacher will work with the Head of Department to deliver a music making course that meets a wide spectrum of student ability and requirements. Some students may love music and look for additional coaching on specific aspects, while for others it will be an introduction to music in its different forms. The programme ends with a small music show where each group performs in front of staff and other students, and parents.

**Role Details:**

- As part of the music team teach groups of approximately 24 children at a time, ensuring all students make progress in their learning, maintaining a purposeful, safe learning environment.
- To attend inset and departmental meetings and share successful practices. To be open to feedback and adjust approach to lesson delivery as a result.
- The role involves working with colleagues to 'set up' the department at the start of the course, tidy and prepare the learning spaces at the end of each day and return the music department to the school in a satisfactory condition at the end of Summer School.
- To maintain good order and discipline amongst students, to check their attendance in class and always focus on safeguarding their health and safety.
- To familiarise yourself with Health & Safety policies and procedures, including risk assessments and safe methods of work specific to your department.
- To pass on any concerns you may have about any students, verbally or via the pastoral system.
- To undertake excursions, activities and further duties to assist in the smooth operation of the Summer School.

This is a premium summer school which is known for its excellent pastoral care and therefore requires all staff to work flexibly and intensively to support the students. This is a fixed term, temporary contract, and whilst some days are long, it is a supportive environment and staff will be able to develop their knowledge and skills whilst enjoying a very rewarding summer experience.

## Responsibilities of all members of staff:

- Comply with Gordonstoun's policies and procedures on Safeguarding, Child Protection and Health and Safety.
- Contribute in a positive way to the ethos of the school in line with Gordonstoun's values.
- Carry out any other task as required from time to time in order to support the Summer School.

## PERSON SPECIFICATION:

Attributes	Essential	Desirable
Education and qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A degree level qualification</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A teaching qualification, e.g. GTCS, PGCE, or QTS or relevant teaching experience in a school or summer school environment</li> </ul>
Skills and Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Significant and relevant breadth of music making/performance experience</li> <li>• Strong and proven organisational skills</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience teaching music in an educational / boarding / summer school environment</li> </ul>
Personal qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Well organised with the ability to prioritise work to meet deadlines</li> <li>• Flexibility to adapt and inspire young people</li> <li>• Tolerance and kindness</li> <li>• Enthusiasm &amp; ability to create a positive learning environment</li> <li>• Maintain confidentiality and be discreet.</li> <li>• Team work and use own initiative</li> </ul>	
Safeguarding	<p>A full PVG (protecting vulnerable groups) check will be completed on the successful candidate</p> <p>For those working out with the UK a police check will be required from that country.</p>	