

GATEWAY SCHOOL

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RECRUITMENT PACK KS2 TEACHER (MATERNITY COVER JANUARY 2026)

Welcome Message

At Gateway School we are committed to providing learning experiences that holistically prepare our children for their next schools and life beyond. We empower every pupil to excel in their educational journeys today, tomorrow and for the rest of their lives.

Our mission is to provide an engaging and inspiring learning environment that encourages children to be curious and ambitious, resulting in happy, confident and real-world ready learners. We hope for every child to be happy, successful and well-prepared for their ever-changing futures.

We believe in providing opportunities to develop character and promote curiosity, flexibility, collaboration, creativity and critical thinking within our curriculum. Throughout the school, our committed and highly-skilled staff encourage pupils to challenge themselves and build resilience whilst feeling safe, cared for and supported.

This commitment extends to our staff too. We know that children thrive when the adults around them are supported, trusted and empowered. At Gateway, our staff team is at the heart of our success. We work in a culture of collaboration and kindness, where professional growth is actively encouraged and where everyone is valued for the unique perspective and experience they bring.

Our school community is welcoming, forward-thinking and grounded in strong values. Staff and pupils alike take pride in our ASPIRE values – Achieve, Strive, Participate, Investigate, Respect, and Enjoy – which underpin everything we do.

We are very proud of our pupils' learning journeys at Gateway School; they transfer to secondary school as confident individuals, with a secure sense of who they are and are well-equipped to take on their next challenges. We are equally proud of the professional journeys of our staff, many of whom take on new roles, lead initiatives and flourish within our close-knit and ambitious team.

About Gateway School

Gateway School is a thriving, vibrant and nurturing independent day school for boys and girls aged 2 to 11, located in the heart of the Chiltern Hills in the village of Great Missenden, Buckinghamshire.

- Ages: 2-11
- Pupils on roll: Approx. 250
- Small class sizes ensuring every child is known and supported
- Broad and creative curriculum
- Specialist teaching
- ISI Rated Excellent in all areas
- Part of the Bellevue Education Group offering high-quality professional development, shared expertise, and a family of schools united by a shared commitment to excellence in education. – offering global collaboration and rich CPD opportunities





The Role

This is an exciting opportunity for a dedicated and dynamic KS2 teacher, with potential for additional responsibilities, to join our friendly team from January 2026 on a maternity cover.

We are looking for an energetic teacher to cover a Year 6 Form Tutor role for a minimum of two terms. The position will also include English specialist teaching to pupils in Upper Prep school (years 5 and 6). Our children are in ability sets for English and Mathematics, and the successful candidate will have the subject knowledge and confidence to teach engaging and challenging lessons so that their pupils make the greatest possible progress. Knowledge of the 11+ syllabus, and preparation process would be desirable. Class teachers all benefit from small classes and a generous non-contact allowance. PE, Music, Art and Modern Foreign Languages are all taught by specialist staff.

Duties and responsibilities:

- To support the emotional and developmental needs of the children;
- To plan and teach appropriately to meet the needs of all pupils in the allocated classes, through differentiation of tasks;
- To ensure work is marked and next steps for learning are made clear to the pupils;
- To be able to set clear targets, based on prior attainment, for pupils' learning;
- To provide a stimulating classroom environment, where resources can be accessed appropriately by all pupils;
- To make effective use of ICT to enhance learning and teaching;
- To keep appropriate and efficient records, updating tracking procedures as directed and integrating formative and summative assessment into planning;
- To work with school leaders to track the progress of individual children and intervene where pupils are not making progress;
- To meet and inform parents/carers of their children's progress, attitudes, attainment and targets through formal (parents' evenings) and informal meetings at appropriate times and produce an annual written report in line with school procedures;
- To ensure the good behaviour of all pupils by promoting the school's code of conduct amongst pupils, in accordance with the school's positive behaviour policy;
- To lead, organise and direct support staff within the classroom;
- To attend and participate in meetings which relate to the school's management, curriculum, administration or organisation;
- To be a committed and active member of the staff team and school community;
- To implement all agreed school policies and guidelines;
- To support initiatives decided by the Head Teacher and staff;
- To participate in the performance management system for the appraisal of your own performance, or that of other teachers;
- To communicate and cooperate with specialists from outside agencies as necessary;
- To promote the vision, aims and values of the school and contribute to their development;
- To play an active part in the enrolment and retention of pupils;
- To attend school events where relevant;
- To undertake any other particular duty reasonably assigned by the Head Teacher from time to time.



WHY WORK AT GATEWAY SCHOOL?

- Supportive, professional and friendly team
- Small class sizes and excellent resourcing
- Generous non-contact allowance.
- Strong focus on staff wellbeing and CPD
- Staff development and collaboration opportunities within the Bellevue Education network
- Set in a beautiful, historic village with excellent transport links to London
- Staff lunches
- Competitive pension scheme
- Culture of trust, flexibility and empowerment your voice and ideas matter here
- Opportunities to lead and innovate, with support for personal growth and leadership development
- A community that celebrates individuality, creativity and a shared passion for education

APPLICATION AND NEXT STEPS

Please visit our website <u>www.gatewayschool-bucks.co.uk</u> for more information about the school. Please complete the application form and return by email to: <u>recruitment@gatewaysch.co.uk</u>

Closing date for applications: Friday 14 November.

Interviews will be held shortly afterwards.

Suitable candidates may be interviewed before the closing date and Gateway School reserves the right to withdraw the position if an early appointment is made.





SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

Gateway School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All appointments are subject to enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks, reference checks and pre-employment safeguarding procedures.

