

Early Years Music Teacher

(Reference: EYMT23)



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

Role Overview

- We are seeking an enthusiastic, passionate, and inspiring Music Teacher with experience in Early Years
- Role Type: Three days a week (Mon to Wed 9.00am – 5.00pm)
- Start Date: September 2023
- Salary: £28,000 – £38,000, depending on qualifications and previous experience
- Set holidays: 9 work days at Christmas, 4 work days at Easter, 10 work days at the end of August and all bank holidays
- Location: Cinderella Path, 153 North End Road, London, NW11 7HZ

About the Role

Are you passionate about delivering creative, magical, and dynamic music sessions that inspire and instil a love of music in young children? Are you looking to pursue your career in an inclusive and forward-thinking setting that truly values both staff and child wellbeing, and continuous professional development? If so, this might be the role for you. We are offering the right applicant an exciting opportunity to join our long-standing and experienced team as an **Early Years Music Teacher**.

The successful candidate must enjoy singing and be able to play at least one instrument to a high standard. They must also possess the skills to teach keyboard and ukelele at a basic level as they are required to lead our after-school music clubs (currently keyboard, ukelele and rhythm).

Responsibilities include (but are not limited to):

- Planning, organising and resourcing age-appropriate, high-quality music sessions for all 8 classes (6 months to rising 4-year-olds), in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum
- Assessing the needs of individuals to inform lesson planning and reviewing the impact of sessions to continually improve practice.
- Working collaboratively with the Drama teacher to put on twice-yearly performances with our rising 4 classes. This includes co-leading rehearsals and performing the music at the show.
- Utilising equipment and resources effectively to ensure high quality teaching and learning. This includes purchasing new equipment and organising and maintaining existing equipment.
- Communicating clearly and proactively with parents regarding their child's progress in music, including writing reports on children's development in the subject area
- Keeping up to date with developments in music and education in general to ensure best practice is adopted.
- Working collaboratively with other members of the staff team to maintain high standards of achievement, including with other teaching and extra-curricular staff (P.E. and Drama)
- Being an active role model in promoting positive behaviour in the children
- Complying with the Nursery's policies and procedures at all times
- Maintaining high professional standards of attendance, punctuality, appearance, and conduct
- **Commitment to the safeguarding of children**

Please note that you will be required to attend Staff Training Days and Parents' Evenings to discuss pupils' progress with parents alongside the manager and teachers.

About You

We are looking for someone who:

- Is confident in their ability to successfully manage and engage large groups of children.
- Is reliable, enthusiastic and energetic.
- Shares our vision and ethos and has a growth mindset.
- Enjoys working in a fast-paced nursery environment.
- Has a flexible, collaborative, and reflective working style

- Is committed to continuous professional development
- Is a team-player with a positive, “can-do” attitude
- Is articulate with a good command of English.
- Has strong communication skills
- Takes initiative and thinks outside the box.

Essential Requirements for the Role

Candidates must have:

- A registered DBS certificate on the update service or have adequate documents to make an application.
- A sound knowledge and understanding of, and be able to comply with, the Early Years Foundation Stage Statutory Framework (EYFS)
- Has an undergraduate degree (or equivalent) or relevant music qualifications
- Experience of teaching music to under 5s

About us

Clowns Nursery Manor House Pre-School is an exceptional, independent childcare provider located in a beautiful setting opposite Golders Hill Park and Hampstead Heath. To give you a snapshot of who we are and what we do, please take a look at our [website](#).

Our vision and ethos at Clowns is to develop the right mindset in our children. We believe in fostering a growth mindset to enable children to develop the skills they need to become confident, life-long learners who go on to lead successful, happy lives.

What We Offer

- Enrolment in the Royal London Workplace Pension Scheme
- A friendly and highly supportive manager and staff team
- A well-resourced nursery environment, with high staff:child ratios
- Monthly training opportunities in addition to 6 full days of bespoke training per year directly linking to our vision, ethos and nursery initiatives.
- Staff Wellbeing Workshops with our qualified Cognitive Development and Wellbeing Lead

How to Apply

Click [here](#) to download the application form and make sure to visit our [website](#) to read about our ethos and pedagogy. Please note that we do not accept CV's as a form of application, although you are welcome to include a copy of your CV alongside your application form. **Please email your completed application to the Operations Manager, Dudzai Pswarayi, at dudzai@clownsnursery.co.uk.**

Applicants must be willing to complete a DBS certificate and provide us with two reference contacts. **The closing date for all applications is Monday 26th June 2023.**

Selected applicants will be invited for an interview, after which shortlisted, candidates will be invited to spend a trial day in the setting to meet the children and staff. Candidates will be asked to complete written and/or practical tasks, including planning and teaching a lesson.

The post holder's responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons for whom he/she is responsible, or with whom he/she comes into contact, will be to adhere to and always ensure compliance with the school's Safeguarding and Child Protection policy.

If, in the course of carrying out the duties of the post, the post holder becomes aware of any actual or potential risks to the safety or welfare of children in the school, he/she must report any concerns to the manager. The post holder must possess an enhanced DBS check.