

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL SCHOOL



Violin Teacher (Maternity Cover) from January 2026 or sooner

We are seeking an enthusiastic and experienced Violin Teacher to provide maternity cover within our thriving department. This is an excellent opportunity for a committed and enthusiastic person to join one of the UK's most vibrant and successful prep school music departments. The school is co-educational from Reception to Year 8, with 285 pupils. Among them are the choristers of St Paul's Cathedral.

Music permeates the whole life of the school and is central to our ethos. The role involves teaching 14-16 individual 40-minute lessons, as well as potentially leading a small violin class, amounting to roughly 1.5 days of teaching per week.

The majority of the pupils you would be teaching are aged 5-9, so enthusiasm for and experience in teaching this age group would be particularly valuable. The successful applicant will be passionate about music education, committed to nurturing young musicians, and eager to inspire pupils to develop their skills and enjoyment of music.

We welcome applicants with a flexible approach who are keen to contribute to the musical life of the school and uphold our strong tradition of instrumental excellence.

Music opportunities abound, for both Choristers and Day Pupils. In addition to our twice weekly whole school services in the Cathedral, our pupils regularly perform for the livery companies and at high profile events such as the blessing of the Lord Mayor of London. Every day at St Paul's Cathedral School, ordinary children achieve

extraordinary things, with the support of a dedicated and collegiate staff team. Our philosophy is that all achievement must be rooted in wellbeing.

Please clearly state in your application your availability and any relevant experience with early years or lower prep-aged pupils.

Job Description

Responsibilities and Tasks:

- Plan and deliver individual violin lessons to pupils aged 5-10
- Potentially take the school's 'Pre-prep' String Ensemble (8 pupils)
- Work with the Director of Music to develop and enhance the school's violin teaching, ensuring alignment with departmental and whole-school curriculum planning.
- Maintain accurate records of assessments and provide regular reports on pupils' progress in accordance with school policy.
- Communicate effectively with parents and guardians, as appropriate, regarding pupils' progress and any other relevant matters.
- Attend meetings and Inset training days, as required by the school

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance degree (diploma or equivalent) in Violin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching degree (diploma or equivalent)
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proven experience teaching violin to children • Proven success teaching to a range of abilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proven experience working in a school environment • Proven experience working with this specific age group • Evidence of extra tuition, such as Masterclasses given at this age group • Proven success teaching in a variety of styles
Personal competencies and qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alignment with the school's philosophy of achievement rooted in wellbeing. • Creativity and resourcefulness. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flexible working days

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent communication skills with young children. • A collaborative approach, with a growth mindset. • Ability to prioritise own workload, to work independently and as part of a team. • Self-motivated, reliable, organised and punctual. • A passion for nurturing musical talent in young learners of all abilities 	
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Terms and Conditions

This post is employed (contract) and offers a competitive salary with a generous Employer Defined Contribution pension scheme. The post is part time, starting as soon as possible.

Application

All applications must be made via the School's application form (not the TES form), accompanied by a letter addressed to the Head, Mrs Judith Fremont-Barnes. Please send the completed School Application Form, and letter, to: tkeller@spcs.london.sch.uk

The closing date is 9.00 am Monday 27th October, 2025.

Safeguarding Statement

Safeguarding is the responsibility of all staff at St Paul's Cathedral School and all staff are expected to share our commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children in our care. Staff must be aware of the procedures within the school which support safeguarding and must act in accordance with the school's Safeguarding Policy and Staff Code of Conduct.