Ark Soane Academy



Peripatetic Music Teacher

Location: Acton, London – a five-minute walk from Acton Town tube station

Contract: Part Time, Casual, Temporary Contract

Initally 10 to 14 sessions over 1 day, 10 days each term.

Start date: January 2027

Salary: £18 per 25-minute session

Closing Date: Apply by 31st November 2026

Interviews: TBC

Opportunity for an exceptional candidate to help shape a highly sucessful Ark secondary school in West London

Ark Soane Academy is a new secondary school in Acton which opened in 2021. We have 900 pupils in Years 7-11 from September 2025. Pupils will be sitting their GCSE exams for the first time and preparing for progression to A-Level.

Ark Soane seeks to redefine what is possible in education. Our model is "simplicity delivered expertly": by delivering an immaculately planned and highly academic curriculum exceptionally well; and by providing our pupils with a compelling aspiration-raising ethos we seek to transform the future of pupils in a highly deprived community.

Behaviour at Soane is exemplary enabling you to deliver exceptional lessons. Pupils are entirely bought-in to the values and ethos of the school and know that they are fortunate to attend a school where the quality of education is exceptional and where love, warmth, respect and the highest standards permeate every interaction. Pupils are a pleasure to teach and you can always expect a "thank you miss" when pupils leave your classroom.

Leaders at Soane prevent unnecessary demands on teacher time – meetings, marking and administrative tasks are minimised to ensure teachers can be highly effective. The curriculum and resourcing ensure that teachers rarely plan alone: staff time is used where it is most valuable: working as a team to implement the curriculum for the pupils in our classrooms.

We are a community of professionals learning together who believe we can all become exemplary teachers. We have a truly open-door culture where frequent low-stakes feedback is the norm. We value the input of all of our staff and collaborate to ensure the academy continues to improve as it expands. We frequently host teams of domestic and international educators who come to learn from us and help us shape our provision.

Ark Soane Academy is part of Ark, one of the UK's most successful school groups, with a network of 37 schools in 4 locations across the country.

As a proud member of the network, we offer:

- Twice as many training days as standard
- Weekly staff training designed to meet the needs of the school
- Coaching for every teacher
- Protected co-planning time
- Access to high-quality, regular professional development
- Opportunites to collaborate with colleagues across the network

The Role:

We are looking to expand our team of peripatetic music teachers. The successful candidate will work with staff from our music department, to maximise the number of pupils participating and thriving in musical life at Soane by taking up an instrument. The successful candidate will embed the school vision and support the development of an outstanding school that empowers our students to take responsibility and drive their own destinies.

We are recruiting for the teachers with expertise in one or more of the following instruments. We will also consider offering additional instrumental lessons outside the list for the right candidate:

- Drum Kit
- Guitar
- Piano
- Saxophone
- Violin

Our ideal candidate will have:

- Excellent playing skills
- Experience in teaching their instrument(s) at all levels
- An unwavering determination to deliver excellence for students from all starting points.
- Desirable – experience in preparing students for ABRSM examinations



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