

# Wellington School

## Director of Music



We are looking to appoint an exceptional individual to the post of Director of Music in this successful and thriving school. Wellington is renowned for the quality of its music and this is a very important aspect of school life. The successful candidate will be a first class musician, with the ability to inspire the whole school community with a love of music making.

The Director of Music has responsibility for all aspects of music – curricular, extra-curricular and performance – throughout this 3 – 18 school. Music and Music Technology are presented at National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher levels and the person appointed will have the knowledge, the skills and the confidence to teach these popular courses. In addition, the Director of Music is expected to organise and deliver a full programme of extra-curricular music, covering a broad range of genres, and to oversee the schedule of individual instrumental lessons, delivered by a team of more than 20 specialist instructors. The school show is just one of the musical highlights in the calendar and outstanding recent productions include Les Miserables, Chicago and Phantom of the Opera. Music is also showcased annually at the end of year Prizegiving ceremony, and celebrated at other events, including memorable Christmas and Summer concerts.

The successful candidate will:

- be an innovative and inspiring teacher in the classroom
- have the ability to lead and work as part of a team
- have the highest expectations of achievement
- have an inclusive approach to musical participation and performance
- have exemplary interpersonal and organisational skills
- have a high standard of piano and accompaniment skills
- have experience of teaching Music to Higher and Advanced Higher level
- have the skills and the confidence to teach Music Technology to Higher and Advanced Higher level
- have the experience and confidence to lead choirs and ensembles
- be fully committed to the extra-curricular life of the department
- demonstrate a strong work ethic and a willingness always 'to go the extra mile'
- demonstrate the musical abilities needed to bring out the best pupil performances in a wide range of genres, including classical, musical theatre, jazz, rock and pop, and traditional Scottish music

Wellington School is the only independent school in Ayrshire and the school roll is currently in the region of 500 (Nursery – S6). Year groups in the Senior School typically consist of approximately 50 pupils and most remain in the school until the end of S6. The majority of pupils study 8 National 5 courses in S3/S4, before going on to take 5 Higher courses in S5. Pupils in S6 choose from the wide range of Advanced Higher and Higher courses available and almost all proceed to university. Popular choices of course include Medicine, Science, Engineering and Law.

In addition to its curricular provision, Wellington also offers a rich array of other activities and a willingness to participate fully in the life of the school will be expected.

The salary for this post will be in accordance with SNCT scales.

The position is full-time and commences in August 2021.

Applicants must either be registered with GTC Scotland, or eligible for registration. All teaching appointments are subject to clearance through the Disclosure Scotland Protecting Vulnerable Groups Scheme.

Applicants should complete the school's Job Application Form and provide a covering letter, both of which should be sent by email to [vacancies@wellingtonschool.org](mailto:vacancies@wellingtonschool.org). A CV is optional and may also be included.

**The closing date for applications is Tuesday 16 March.**