PLATANOS COLLEGE

JOB DESCRIPTION

Role: Music Specialist

Reporting To	Artistic & Executive Director and Youth Theatre Producer
Responsible For	• The delivery of short, medium and long-term planning • Delivering the Musical Theatre component as part of the core teaching team for Acting, Music and Dance workshops, delivered on Saturday sessions during term time and whole week sessions during school holidays • Developing a Platanos Theatre Company choir with students appropriately arranged into Sop, 2nd sop, etc groupings in order to work towards increasingly sophisticated harmonies • Supporting the other specialists as they deliver the Acting and Dance components of the Platanos Theatre Company in Saturday and out of term time sessions. • Driving and expanding the musical component of the Platanos Theatre Company by organising and managing a range of fixtures to enable students to sing to audiences from public platforms • Composing, teaching and playing required instruments for bespoke pieces of music as part of the Platanos Theatre Company's larger scale productions. • Recording backing tracks and sample recordings of new music for the Platanos Theatre Company website to support students' preparation for Saturday sessions and rehearsals.
Liaising With	Headteachers, Assistant Headteachers, Deputy Headteachers, External Agencies and parents
Salary / Grade	Negotiable / Dependent on Experience
Disclosure Level	Enhanced
Purpose	• To support the delivery of an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated performance curriculum for primary and secondary school students across the trust and beyond • To support the Youth Theatre Producer as required in delivering bespoke Drama workshops to year groups and Theatre in Education sessions • To provide a Saturday and out of term time theatre school for young people for the focused development of skills in Acting, Music and Dance • To work closely with the Artistic & Executive Director and Youth Theatre Producer to celebrate and showcase students' work by producing large scale performances bespoke to needs of the cohort and community, and to contribute to young people's cultural capital through exploring a range of genres of music young people may be less familiar with from a variety of cultures and traditions. • To facilitate experience of business in the creative industries for young people • To facilitate and encourage a practical learning experience which provides young performers with the opportunity to achieve their individual potential • To share and support the Trust's responsibility to provide and monitor opportunities for personal growth
Operational / Strategic Planning	• To attend all appropriate meetings including regular planning and deployment meetings with the Artistic & Executive Director and Business meetings with students to coach the Youth Arts Business programme • To contribute to the Platanos Theatre Company's Improvement Plan and its implementation

Curriculum Provision	• To plan with the Youth Theatre Producer and Music departments as necessary to ensure the provision of a range of successful, bespoke sessions to meet briefs from Music and PHSE departments in client schools
Company Development	• To assist in the process of company development and change so as to ensure the continued relevance to the needs of young people and the community
Communication, Marketing & Liaison	• To work closely with the Artistic & Executive Director and Youth Theatre Producer in delivering suitably regular press releases and updating the Platanos Theatre Company website with information about musical workshops and fixtures. • To communicate effectively with the parents of pupils and members of the Platanos Theatre Company as appropriate • Where appropriate, to communicate and co-operate with persons or bodies outside the Trust • To follow agreed policies for communications in the Trust
Management of Resources	• To assist the Youth Theatre Producer in identifying resource needs and managing the efficient/effective use of physical resources • To co-operate with other staff to ensure a sharing and effective usage of resources to the benefit of the Platanos Theatre Company and its members
Pastoral	• To mentor and guide members of the Platanos Theatre Company, promoting the general progress and well-being of individual members and of the group as a whole • To alert the Youth Theatre Producer to problems experienced by pupils and to make recommendations as to how these may be resolved • To communicate as appropriate with the parents of pupils and with persons or bodies outside the Academy concerned with the welfare of individual Pupils, after consultation with the appropriate staff • To apply effective Behaviour Management systems so that effective progress can take place
Teaching	• To teach young people according to their educational needs • To assess, record and report on the attendance, progress, development and attainment of pupils and to keep such records as are required • To ensure that ICT, Literacy, Numeracy and Music specialism(s) are reflected in the teaching/learning experience of pupils • To undertake a designated programme of teaching • To ensure a high quality learning experience for young people • To use a variety of delivery methods which will stimulate creativity and learning appropriate to needs • To maintain discipline in accordance with the company's procedures and to encourage good practice with regards to punctuality, behaviour and standard of work
Other Specific Duties	• To support the Youth Theatre Producer in accompanying members of the Theatre in Education group to performance venues in other centres, supporting the workshops in the capacity of a teaching assistant and / or technical support • To adhere to and promote whole school policies, procedures and practices • To comply with the Platanos Theatre Company's Health and Safety policy and work closely with the Artistic & Executive Director by providing all necessary information for risk assessments connected to music performance fixtures • To comply with the internet code of practice • To show a record of excellent attendance and punctuality

	• To adhere to the Platanos Theatre Company's Dress Code

Employees will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from their manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description. This job description will be reviewed where necessary and may be subject to amendment at any time after consultation with the post holder to reflect or anticipate changes in the job which are commensurate with the grade and job title. It is not a comprehensive statement of procedures and tasks but sets out the main expectations of the company in relation to the post holder's professional responsibilities and duties. Employees are expected to be courteous to colleagues and provide a welcoming environment to visitors, audiences and telephone callers.