

## POSITION STATEMENT

### TEACHER – CREATIVE ARTS (MUSIC) 12 MONTH MATERNITY LEAVE POSITION

#### **About the position**

This K-12 position involves the direct teaching and practise of Music in its various forms whilst one of our current music teachers is on maternity leave from Term III. Teaching duties cover the compulsory NSW Music Stage 1, 2, 3, 4 courses, the Stage 5 elective course and the Stage 6 Higher School Certificate Course. Involvement in bands and/or choirs.

The teacher will encourage pupils to develop an appreciation of music and explore different modes of expression. The school provides regular opportunities for musical performance and encourages the participation of pupils in various ensembles and community events.

The teacher should be helpful, co-operative and friendly creating a welcoming safe environment in the classrooms where pupils will be given learning opportunities that are inspiring and innovative. All staff are involved in the pastoral care of pupils as tutors in small tutor groups.

The teacher will be able to work in a flexible manner with other staff in The Arts Faculty contributing skills that will be complementary to skills of colleagues.

Teachers appointed to Pittwater House are expected to be fully supportive of the ethos of the School of giving individual care and attention to pupils and be prepared to become actively involved in the life of the School. Applicants need to be life-long learners, be team players and possess excellent communication and organisational skills.

Child protection legislation requires preferred applications to be subjected to employment screening.

Pittwater House is an independent non-profit school founded in 1962 by Rex Morgan, AM, MBE and is administered by a Council of Governors. This unique twin school offers a caring learning environment for children from Preschool to Year 12 and teaches boys and girls separately in the majority of classes. This independent non-denominational school is non-selective and offers a wide range of subjects in small class sizes and a range of extra-curricular choices in sport, the arts, the environment and service to the community.

#### **Primary Objectives**

To provide the high quality teaching of music through the Board of Studies Stages 1 to 6. The Teacher must maintain a safe environment in the classrooms and engage with pupils to enthuse them with creativity and confidence. The teacher has a responsibility to comply with School Policy.

#### **Reporting**

The teacher will report directly to the Head of The Arts Faculty Mr Jim Abraham and be responsible to the Director of Studies and then the Headmaster.

## **Key accountabilities**

The teacher will be responsible for the maintenance of lesson programmes, and all documentation required by the Board of Studies and the Faculty Co-ordinators. They will be responsible for meeting administrative deadlines for the submission of tasks such as examinations, assessments and feedback to parents, and to provide a safe and caring environment for pupils. The teacher will also be required to maintain high standards of pupil academic work, behaviour and uniform standards and demonstrate a good working knowledge of each of the elements defined by the NSW Institute of Teachers and those additional elements determined by the School.

## **Qualifications and skills**

### **Essential:**

Teachers in NSW are expected to hold a relevant degree and teacher training qualification (i.e Dip.Ed. or higher degree in education), acceptable to the NSW Institute of Teachers, appropriate experience at teaching the subject area and a capability to operate learning technology (e.g. internet, email windows, IWB's, portable devices, pupil data base system(s)). Teachers must support the concept of direct teaching methods. The successful applicant will be able to demonstrate a successful record of good teacher pupil relations and demonstrate a commitment to the whole school, its ethos and standards and extra curricula activities.

### **Desirable:**

Teachers who have had experience across a range of primary and secondary teaching stages. Knowledge of and experience in digital media, performance and ensemble work. Qualification or experience in recognised school sport and / or an interest in outdoor recreation (e.g. Army Cadets)

## **Application requirements**

Only written applications will be accepted on the standard application form available on our Website.

## **Closing date**

Closing date for the receipt of applications is: **Friday 4 June.**

## **Applications should be addressed to:**

The Principal  
Pittwater House  
PO Box 244  
MANLY NSW 1655

Email applications are acceptable but hard copy must also be posted.

Contact for this position is:

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