



Winterbourne Junior Girls' School

Job Description	
Job Title:	Administration & Finance Officer
School:	Winterbourne Junior Girls' School
Grade Range:	Grade 4: Scale point 8-10, £30,717 -£31,611 (FTE) per annum - pro rata
Hours per week:	30
Start date	Monday 24th August 2026
Work Pattern:	Term time, plus 5 INSET days and 10 additional days to be agreed. 30 hours per week, Monday to Friday 8:30 AM – 3 PM 30 minutes unpaid break
Location:	Winterbourne Junior Girls' School, Winterbourne Road, Thornton Heath, CR7 7QT
Reports to:	School Business Manager, Head Teacher, Deputy Head
Role Purpose and Role Dimensions:	To provide high-quality administrative and financial support to ensure the smooth, efficient operation of the school office. The postholder will handle day-to-day financial transactions and act as a key point of contact for parents, visitors, and staff.
Commitment to Diversity:	As a member of the School Team to take individual and collective professional responsibility for championing the School's diversity agenda and proactively implementing initiatives which secure equality of access and outcomes. Also to commit to continually developing personal understanding of diversity.
Key External Contacts:	• Parents/Carers • Local Authority • Other education providers and local authorities • General public • Suppliers
Key Internal Contacts:	• Head Teacher • Deputy Head • School Business Manager • Staff • Pupils
Financial Dimensions:	• Collection of monies for trips, lunches, uniform, clubs, fundraising etc • Daily cash reconciliation • Management of debtors • Free school meal and Pupil premium monitoring and applications • Process petty cash in line with the financial regulations and process petty cash reimbursements. • Banking as required • Administration of finance software
Key Areas for Decision Making:	• Responsible for ensuring monies are collected and banked in a timely manner • Joint responsibility for smooth running of school comms (e.g. Parentmail) • Responsibility for administration of parent/staff payment software



Key Accountabilities and Result Areas:	Key Elements:
Organisation	This will involve: ▪ Reception duties, answering routine telephone and face to face enquiries and signing in visitors. ▪ Assist with pupil first aid/welfare duties, looking after sick pupils, liaising with parents/staff etc. ▪ Maintain allergy/dietary/medical lists and Pupil care plans ▪ Assisting with arrangements for school trips, events etc. ▪ Work with school staff and education welfare service to provide attendance monitoring and support ▪ Promote an expectation of excellent attendance with colleagues, pupils, and families ▪ Promote a positive image of education in the wider community through contact with families and pupils
Financial Administration	This will involve: • Process purchase orders, invoices, and receipts in line with the school's financial procedures. • Manage and reconcile the school's online payment system (e.g., ParentPay,) for school meals, trips, uniform, and clubs. • Handle petty cash and prepare banking deposits. • Assist the School Business Manager with month-end procedures and basic budget monitoring. • Chase outstanding debts (e.g., unpaid monies or club fees) politely and professionally. • To administer the Girls' own fund and Lettings fund. • To raise orders and commitments for stock and services. • To process orders, invoices, credit notes and local income. • To check and following up all outstanding orders. • To check the system for unauthorised/unprinted orders, and unauthorised invoices and ensure all cheques have been raised. • To be responsible for receiving and checking goods on delivery. • Key contact for suppliers in relation to maintenance of equipment

General Administration & Reception	This will involve: • Greet visitors, answer phone calls, and manage the main school email inbox. • Maintain accurate pupil records on the school's Management Information System (MIS) (e.g., SIMS). • Maintain manual and computerised records/management information systems. • Produce lists/information/data as required e.g. pupils' data. • Monitor and record pupil attendance and punctuality, following up on unexplained absences with parents. • Provide general clerical support such as typing letters, distributing newsletters, filing, photocopying, complete standard forms, respond to routine correspondence. • Sort and distribute incoming mail and coordinate outgoing post. • Undertake administrative procedures. • Maintain and collate pupil reports. • Undertake routine administration of school lettings and other uses of school premises. • Liaise with parents and submit free school meal applications • Raise awareness to new and existing pupils of free school and pupil premium grant • Undertake safeguarding checks on parents, volunteers, service providers where necessary • Contact parents who are late collecting • Collate and Input staff absence to relevant databases • Cover or assist with attendance • Assist with the admissions process for new starters and processing leavers data and documents • Preparing /posting pupil files for transfer and postage of other ad hoc items.
Resources	This will involve: ▪ Operate relevant equipment/ICT packages (e.g. word, excel, databases, spreadsheets, Internet, MIS system, Finance software). ▪ Maintain stock and supplies, cataloguing and distributing as required. ▪ Operate uniform/snack/other 'shops' within the school. ▪ Provide general advice and guidance to staff, pupils and others. ▪ Undertake general financial administration e.g. processing orders/invoices.



Welfare and Safety	This will involve: ▪ Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to an appropriate person. ▪ Be aware of and support difference and ensure equal opportunities for all. ▪ Contribute to the overall ethos/work/aims of the school. ▪ Appreciate and support the role of other professionals. ▪ Attend and participate in relevant meetings as required. ▪ Participate in training and other learning activities and performance development as required. ▪ Assist with the welfare of pupils who come to the school office feeling unwell (administering basic first aid, or contacting parents). ▪ Ensure all visitors sign in correctly and adhere to the school's safeguarding policies.
Green Statement	This will involve: Seeking opportunities for contributing to sustainable development of the borough, in accordance with the School's Green Commitment. In particular, demonstrating good environmental practice (such as energy efficiency, use of sustainable materials, sustainable transport, recycling and waste reduction) in management of the service provision.
Data Protection	This will involve: ▪ Being aware of the School's legal obligations under the Data Protection Act 2018 (the "2018 Act") and the EU General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR") for the security, accuracy and relevance of personal data held, ensuring that all administrative and financial processes also comply. ▪ Maintaining customer records and archive systems in accordance with departmental procedures and policies as well as statutory requirements. ▪ Treating all information acquired through employment, both formally and informally, in accordance with the Workforce Data Protection Policy.

Confidentiality	This will involve: ▪ Treating all information acquired through employment, both formally and informally, in confidence. There are strict rules and protocols defining employee access to and use of the School databases. Any breach of these rules and protocols will be subject to disciplinary investigation. There are procedures in place for employees to raise matters of concern regarding such issues as bad practice or mismanagement.
Equalities and Diversity	The School has a strong commitment to achieving equality of opportunity in its services to the community and in the employment of people. It expects all employees to understand, comply with and to promote its policies in their own work, to undertake any appropriate training and to challenge racism, prejudice and discrimination. This includes respecting and valuing the different experiences, ideas and backgrounds others can bring to work and to teams
Safeguarding	This will involve: • Displays commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children and young people. • Values and respects the views and needs of children and young people. • Demonstrates a commitment to fundamental British values and an awareness of how these can be promoted in direct work with children.
Health and Safety	Every employee is responsible for their own Health & Safety, as well as that of colleagues, service users and the public. Employees should co-operate with management, follow established systems of work, use protective equipment where necessary and report defectives and hazards to management.
To contribute as an effective and collaborative member of the School Team	This will involve: ▪ Participating in training to be able to demonstrate competence. ▪ Participating in first aid training as required. ▪ Participating in the ongoing development, implementation and monitoring of the service plans. ▪ Championing the professional integrity of the School ▪ Supporting Customer Focus, Best Value and electronic management of processes. ▪ Actively sharing feedback on School policies and interventions

Person Specification	
Job Title:	Administration & Organisation Level 2
Essential knowledge:	▪ NVQ 2 or equivalent qualification or experience in relevant discipline. ▪ Appropriate knowledge of first aid. ▪ Knowledge of relevant policies/codes of practice & awareness of relevant legislation.
Essential experience:	▪ General clerical/administrative/financial work. ▪ Experience of working in a fast-paced customer-facing environment ▪ Handling money, processing invoices, or basic bookkeeping.
Essential skills and abilities:	▪ Good numeracy/literacy skills. ▪ English and Mathematics Grade C / 4 or equivalent ▪ Excellent communication skills together with the ability to communicate fluently in English to fulfil the requirements of the post. ▪ Personable, friendly, patient and welcoming manner in person, over the phone, and via email ▪ High level of proficiency in Microsoft Office (Word, Excel) and emails. ▪ Organised, high level of attention-to-detail and accuracy with numbers. ▪ Self-motivated, able to manage workload independently ▪ Punctual, Reliable ▪ Calm under pressure, adaptable, and a great team player. ▪ Ability to maintain absolute confidentiality. ▪ Effective use of ICT packages. ▪ Use of relevant equipment/resources. ▪ Good keyboard skills. ▪ Ability to relate well to children and adults. ▪ Work constructively as part of a team, understanding school roles and responsibilities and your own position within these. ▪ Displays commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children and young people. ▪ Demonstrates a commitment to fundamental British values and an awareness of how these can be promoted in direct work with children ▪ Ability to identify own training & development needs & cooperate with means to address these. ▪ Participate in development and training opportunities. ▪ Adaptable – able to innovate and implement administrative processes in response to changing demands
Cultural competence:	▪ Ability to recognise own biases, ideas, and stereotypes of cultures that are different from own ▪ Ability to admit/acknowledge that there are differences in the treatment of people based on their appearance ▪ Commitment to being a part of the change that is needed in seeing that people are treated fairly ▪ Ability to educate oneself and others on cultural differences to gain more understanding.



Desirable skills and abilities:	▪ NVQ Level 2/3 in Administration or Accountancy/Bookkeeping (e.g., AAT). ▪ Valid First Aid certificate ▪ Knowledge of school financial regulations and safeguarding practices. ▪ Experience working within an educational setting. ▪ Experience using school systems like SIMS, Arbor, ParentMail or ParentPay.
Special conditions:	▪ Enhanced DBS check