



June 2025

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Vice Principal:
Mrs G Powell BA Hons

Dear Prospective Applicant

**TEACHING ASSISTANT
FIXED TERM CONTRACT
16.5 HOURS PER WEEK, 44.3 WEEKS (TERM TIME ONLY PLUS 2 INSET DAYS)
BGJ 4-6 (£13.01 -£13.41 PER HOUR £9,513 – £9,541 INCLUDING LONDON WEIGHTING)**

Garth Hill College are seeking to appoint a reliable, efficient and enthusiastic person to the position of Teaching Assistant. This is a fixed term position from September 2025 until the end of term in July 2026 and is for 3 days per week.

The role involves assisting the teacher in the classroom, and undertaking programmes of work, care and support to enable pupils to progress in their learning. The successful candidate will possess the initiative, skills and confidence to deal with challenging situations. We would also be interested in applications from candidates who have had training or experience with manual handling or who would be willing to receive training.

Prospective candidates are advised to study the person specification and job description for this post carefully. Experience of working with or caring for children in a learning environment is essential.

Our last Ofsted inspection in October 2024 was very positive and confirmed that College had taken effective action to maintain the standards identified at the previous inspection (the last full inspection was in May 2019 when we were judged a 'good' school and all areas were rated 'good'). The report highlighted several key strengths including:

Pupils enjoy coming to this inclusive, friendly school. They foster strong relationships with staff and with one another.

Pupils' well-being is a priority. The highly effective pastoral system supports pupils' well-being and mental health.

Pupils benefit from the wide range of worthwhile educational experiences on offer.

The wider personal development of pupils is a strength. The school has put in place a carefully considered programme that runs through the whole school.

The school prepares pupils effectively for their next steps.

The full report can be read at <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/23/110069>.

We are excited and confident about the future as we continue our journey to excellence. Our CPD programme is very strong. An outstanding team of teaching and learning professionals, including Lead Practitioners and Teaching and Learning Coaches, lead whole college and bespoke teacher development.

Furthermore, behaviour and inclusion support for pupils is exceptional. There is a very clear and established behaviour management system with 'send out'. The Behaviour Support Team helps staff and pupils to help resolve any issues that occur and work to ensure that pupils behave impeccably (one of our 'Seven Habits' for pupils). Centralised detentions help to reduce teacher workload.

I am fortunate to work with an extremely dedicated team of staff. We are passionate about our pupils' learning, and the Garth Hill community. We seek the very best for our pupils and we are committed to

providing excellent service and care to them and their families. We also work in a great learning environment with superb facilities.

If you possess the qualities listed, have the necessary skills and experience, believe that working with young people is a privilege and are ambitious for the future of Garth Hill College, we welcome your application.

Please do feel free to come and visit us too or pick up the phone.

Applications

Should you have any queries please contact Mrs. S Barnes at the College via email on s-barnes@garthhillcollege.com

The Interview Process

If selected, the interview process will test and assess your fulfilment of the requirements for this position. As part of this process, you will be expected to attend a panel interview. You may also be asked to complete a task relevant to the position. The interview process will include consideration of your suitability to work with children and the interview panel will ask questions on safeguarding children/young people.

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS 09H00 ON 11 JULY 2025

Safeguarding Children

Please note that Garth Hill College is committed to safeguarding children. In line with our Safeguarding Policy, we adopt safe recruitment procedures and always check the suitability of applicants to work with children/young people through the appropriate authorities. Only applications submitted on the College's application form will be considered and the successful applicant will be required to undertake a full check and disclosure by the Disclosure and Barring Service. It is our normal procedure to request references on shortlisted candidates prior to interview.

Support and Professional Development

A range of support and professional development opportunities are available at Garth Hill College.

- Friendly and supportive working environment
- Strong staff well-being culture and programme of events
- OFSTED 'good' (May 2019)
- Free use of on-site gym with rowing machines, cross-trainer, spin bikes and free weights.
- As a Bracknell Forest Local Authority school, staff also take advantage of Bracknell Forest employee benefits [Staff benefits | Bracknell Forest Council \(bracknell-forest.gov.uk\)](http://bracknell-forest.gov.uk).
- A comprehensive induction programme for new staff

Yours faithfully



Keith Grainger
Principal