

Kitchen Assistant Candidate Information

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Welcome to Bournside

People are at the heart of Bournside.

Our staff and students are Ambitious, Purposeful, Proud, Respectful, Curious, and Supportive. These are our values and whilst you'll see them written on our website and on our corridor walls, where you'll really see them is in the way we work together, the way we talk to one another, the way teachers teach and students learn, and the way we ensure that every day, in and out of lessons we are living our vision: empowering lives through learning.

Bournside is a large school with over 200 staff and 1,800 students. That means we have the resources to provide a wealth of opportunities: a sports centre and 4G sports pitches; a fully equipped Drama studio, a large library, specialised English and Maths blocks, 12 science labs and specialist design, technology, computing and media rooms. Our highly successful sixth formers have their own large base with numerous study rooms.

No one gets lost in the crowd, however. The size of our school means that whatever your role, you'll benefit from having a dedicated, specialist team around you. Everyone is a member of one of our six houses; coupled with our vertical tutor group model, for students, the house system aims to nurture and enhance a sense of family and community, strengthen home/school communication, and provide opportunities for older students to act as role models for younger students, enabling them to have meaningful conversations about school life and their future aspirations.

It's not at all unusual for several generations from the same family to have

been part of

Bournside school. We've been part of the community of Cheltenham for many years having moved to our present site in Warden Hill in the early 1970s. Our value to the local community is developed in many ways: working closely with our neighbouring schools, taking the arts into the community, being the central hub for very many sports local sports teams, and, of course, being the school of choice for families in our part of Cheltenham and beyond.

If you would like to speak with the recruiting manager prior to making your application, please contact Trish Staite, Operations Manager

tms@bournside.gloucs.sch.uk_attaching a CV and your availability for a phone call. I would also very much encourage you to visit our school so you can see for yourself why it is a wonderful place to work.

There is a wealth of information about our school on our website, along with an application form should you wish to apply. We also ask for a supporting statement (maximum 2 sides of A4) outlining how you feel your experience, skills, and attributes would enable you to make a significant impact in the role. The deadline for applications is 3pm 22nd September 2021.

I look forward to receiving your application to join us in empowering lives through learning.

Steve Jefferies Headteacher



Kitchen Assistant

Start date: As soon as possible Salary: £8.91 per hour Contract: 20 hours per week, Fixed term 3 month initial contract

An outstanding opportunity has arisen to work in Gloucestershire's largest comprehensive school.

We are an established 11-18 single academy trust with a good reputation (Ofsted 'Good' rating 2016), wide catchment, and a strong presence in our community. Our school is consistently oversubscribed with a PAN of 300, and most of our students choose to stay with us for their post-16 study.

We are looking to appoint a kitchen assistant to join our catering team. You will help with the provision in our two dining centres which cater for all students and staff at our school.



Our outstanding dining centres provide the forum for students to meet and social over food and drink at key points throughout the day. The experience students have whilst in these areas is critical to their perception of our school and their happiness and enjoyment of it.

We are an equal opportunities employer and value and respect diversity across our whole school community. Bournside is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All posts are subject to an enhanced DBS check. We reserve the right to interview and appoint prior to the closing date.

Application pack:

www.bournside.gloucs.sch.uk/schoolinformation/careers-at-bournside/



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Job Description

Kitchen Assistant

Post title: Kitchen Assistant Responsible to: Catering Lead Hours per week: 20 hours per week Working days and hour: Monday to Friday 9:45am – 1:45pm Contract Type: 3 month initial contract (excluding 23rd – 30th October 2021) Salary: £8.91 per hour

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people according to child protection and safeguarding guidelines and expects all staff to share this commitment. A satisfactory enhanced DBS check is required for all Employees.

Purpose

- To support the Catering Lead in the provision of the catering facility of the school.
- To help maintain a safe working environment for the staff.
- To undertake safe working practices within the kitchen and satellite catering facilities.
- The contract is for an initial 3 month contract, however there is the possibility of the role becoming a permanent contract.

Specific responsibilities

- Work with the catering team to prepare and cook the daily menu.
- Ensure sufficient food is available at all time during all services throughout the school day.
- Preparation of hot and cold food and assist with the service of the food in all service areas throughout the school.
- Minimise wastage and ensuring this does not have a negative impact on the effective operation and profitability of the catering operation.
- Assist with serving staff and students, using the school's till operation system.
- Ensure health and safety regulations are met.
- Ensure compliance with all fire, licensing, food safety and employment regulations
- To maintain hygienic standards as laid down by Management and the Food Safety
- Act 1990, Food Safety (General Food Staff Regulations 1995) and the Food Safety Temperature Control Regulations 1995
- To be available for duty at specified dates on the School Calendar for outside functions

Health and Safety

To ensure that all health and safety instructions are followed and that all reasonable care is taken not to do anything that might endanger the post holder or other. To report to the line manager any dangerous situations in the workplace or any perceived shortcomings in health and safety arrangements.

Special conditions

This job description sets out the main duties of the post at the date it was drawn up. However, it is not intended to be an exhaustive or definitive list. Such duties may vary from time to time without changing the general character of the post or the level of responsibility entailed. Such variations are a common occurrence and cannot themselves justify a reconsideration of the grading of the post. You may be required to carry out other duties commensurate with your role.



Person Specification Kitchen Assistant

Bournside School will use this person specification as the selection criteria for the post, gained from applications, references, and interviews.

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications		 Allergy Awareness qualification HACCP training Level 2 Food Hygiene Certificate
Experience, understanding, and knowledge	 Experience of working within a catering environment, ideally within a mass catering setting. Good verbal and written communication skills Experience of keeping Health & Safety records 	 Experience in working in a secondary school Understanding of Child protection/safeguarding Experience of working with a till system
Personal qualities	 Excellent oral communicator and interpersonal skills Ability to relate to both adults and children Good problem-solving skills Self-motivated with high levels of personal drive Ability to meet deadlines Ability to work effectively whilst alone and also as part of a larger team Is aware of their own strengths and areas for further development Resilient and able to accept constructive feedback from others in order to further improve performance Able to prioritise tasks effectively and efficiently Ability to handle confidential information sensitively 	



Settling in at Bournside

We will fully support you with your transition to Bournside. HR Manager, Rachael Hargreaves oversees the provision for new staff, including your induction, to support you in understanding and coping with your new role.

Induction day

Depending on your start date, you may be invited to an induction day prior to joining us. Alternatively, this will typically be your first day. This full day of training provides information about the aspects of Bournside school life which will be needed as soon as your start, such as:

- School Leadership Structure who to see for what
- School communication and meeting systems
- Induction procedures, performance management, and professional development
- ICT
- Health and safety procedures
- Safeguarding training
- Key policies
- Introduction to basic training requirements.

Your mentor

You will also be allocated a mentor – probably your line manager – who will meet with you regularly to ensure you have the support you need.



Continuing Professional Development

Bournside is forward-thinking in its approach to Continuing Professional Development (CPD). We use a variety of activities to engage staff with sharing best practice including whole staff training options, peer observations, personal planning and development time, departmental development time, focused workshops, and time for performance management and review.



Employee Benefits

Support Staff

General

• Provision of all necessary IT equipment.

Lifestyle and wellbeing

- Attractive salary and pension
- Generous annual leave entitlement
- Free one-to-one wellbeing support
- Family friendly policies
- Onsite parking facilities and cycle storage
- Free access to the school's fitness suite
- Cycle to work scheme
- Discounted gift cards via Voucher Store
- Techscheme save money on the latest tech from Apple and Currys PC World
- A comprehensive range of staff social events throughout the year
- Our dining centre is open between 7:30am and 4:30pm every day.

Professional development

• Support to complete further academic study and professional qualifications.

Statutory and other benefits

- A wide range of statutory benefits including sick pay, maternity, paternity, parental, and adoption leave
- We will honour your continuity of service in other state funded schools in relation to sick pay and pension rights.



Our Values

We are...

PURPOSEFUL

We persevere to achieve our goals and aspirations

PROUD

We celebrate everyone's effort and achievements

RESPECTFUL

We care about each other and believe in equality and kindness

CURIOUS

We have enquiring minds and are not afraid of challenge

SUPPORTIVE

We make a positive difference to each other's lives

AMBITIOUS

We aim for the very best in all we do



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