

# BRIGHTON COLLEGE PREP KENSINGTON

Join our Team:

## **Reception Teacher**

Deadline: 23rd February 2025



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# About our School

Welcome to Brighton College Prep Kensington, a happy and vibrant school for boys and girls aged 2 to 13.

As a part of the award-winning Brighton College family of schools, Brighton College Prep Kensington nurtures a culture of kindness, where the personal happiness of children is our priority.

Brighton College Prep Kensington is a member of the Brighton College family of schools. This means both our children and staff benefit from the world-renowned experience and resources of Brighton College, The Sunday Times award-winning 'School of the Decade'.

Founded in 1845, Brighton College is one of the country's leading schools, regularly achieving the top academic results of any coeducational school in the UK.

Beyond outstanding academic success, the school is known for its focus on kindness and community

engagement. Brighton College has won numerous international awards, and the Brighton College family of schools includes four schools in the UK, three in the UAE, one in Singapore, one in Thailand, and soon to be seven in Vietnam.

Brighton College Prep Kensington is a beautiful and friendly environment with bright and spacious classrooms. Pupils enjoy access to play areas, a state-of-the-art science lab, two art studios, a beautiful music room and our multi-purpose and bold Makerspace. We also make use of our two-acre Secret Garden, set

directly behind school. This access to outdoor space means that we are able to run a Forest School programme, emphasising outdoor learning and the importance of environmental responsibility. Come rain or shine, the outdoors is an integral part of daily life at Brighton College Prep Kensington. Children enjoy fun, hands-on, practical experiences as a part of the curriculum throughout the year.

We are located in the heart of Kensington, across four spacious Grade-II listed Victorian townhouses, which have been designed to a bespoke educational standard. Our proximity to museums and world-class sporting facilities, mean that trips to Hyde Park, the Natural History Museum and the V&A are part of daily life.

Brighton College Prep Kensington is a happy school and staff and pupils feel fulfilled, with a forward-thinking curriculum, an innovative approach to education, and an emphasis on kindness.

We hope that you will want to come and join the fantastic group of professionals who work here.

















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#### UNITED KINGDOM SCHOOL OF THE DECADE

We are delighted to be part of the award-winning Brighton College family of schools, and through the sharing of knowledge and resources, both our children and our staff benefit hugely from this partnership.





### **RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS**

Kindness is the currency at Brighton College Prep Kensington. At the start of term, the Head hands out colourful wristbands which remind pupils to be helpful and generous-spirited each and every day.

#### INNOVATION

In our state-of-the-art Makerspace, pupils use green-screen technology and 3D printing to craft and construct. It is a creative space where pupils bring their ideas to life and develop skills such as communication, collaboration and advanced problem solving.







#### STORY OF OUR LAND

As part of their curriculum, our pupils learn about Britain from the beginning of time, spanning history, geography, philosophy, politics and religion. This course allows pupils to develop a coherent narrative of how the past has shaped the country we live in today.

#### **LONDON IS OUR CLASSROOM**

With the Natural History Museum, the V&A, the Science Museum and many more museums and galleries on our doorstep, we have access to the very best educational and cultural highlights as part of our daily school





#### **OUR SUPER CURRICULUM**

The SUPER Curriculum is an academic enrichment programme for Years 7 and 8 and prepares our pupils for the next stage of their education. It incorporates practical, skills-based learning, including personal finances, online safety, study skills, public speaking and team building.

#### **OUR BESPOKE DOOR-TO-DOOR BUS SERVICE**

In keeping with Brighton College's commitment to the environment, we encourage our families to walk, cycle or scoot to school and we run a bespoke door-to-door bus service available from Year 1, complete with chaperone, for drop-off and pick-up.





#### **SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Pupils are encouraged to give back to the community they live in; from visiting local senior citizens, to running an eco-warriors project in our Forest School, we nurture outward-looking children. We also open eyes to the world beyond London, involving our children and teachers in global charities.



#### **WORLD-CLASS SPORTS FACILITIES**

Our Kensington location means that we can make the most of the amazing sporting facilities we have on our doorstep. Year 3 and above have weekly swimming lessons at Imperial College next door and we regularly visit Hyde Park for sport lessons.



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#### **BEYOND BRIGHTON**

With a huge range of activities from mindfulness, cookery, dance, debating, public speaking, school magazine, disco yoga and presentation skills, our pupils are offered a wide and varied programme of opportunities to build a skill set to be used long after they leave Prep School.

## PERSON SPECIFICATION

The academic success of our school is due to excellent, innovative and well-planned teaching. We are looking for individuals who foster a passion for learning and who can demonstrate an ability, and genuine desire, to develop pupils to their fullest potential.

Many teachers joining the school have a proven track record of effective teaching, having obtained excellent public examination results with previous classes. However, we are also equally happy to appoint candidates who are currently on a PGCE, or candidates with no formal teaching qualification. Several members of our teaching staff have pursued different career paths, and have made the move to teaching at a later point. We view this diversity as a strength.

We seek candidates with a demonstrable ability to thrive in an intellectually invigorating environment. The ability to inspire children is key, as is a willingness to support the ambition and values of the school and to be involved in a breadth of school life. Successful candidates will be self-reliant and adaptable, with high levels of initiative.

Candidates should have a strong academic record, including a good degree in a relevant subject. Those without teaching experience must be able to demonstrate a genuine interest in young people and teaching. We will look for evidence of the capacity to contribute to the broader life of the school, and for evidence of passion and enthusiasm for the relevant subject.

For the right candidate, there could be the opportunity to work in one of our international schools in due course.









#### **RECEPTION TEACHER** DEADLINE: 23 FEBRUARY 2025

# About the role

Brighton College Prep Kensington is seeking to appoint an Reception Teacher, to start in September.

We are seeking to appoint an inspirational and dynamic Reception teacher, who has what it takes to distinguish themselves from the ordinary, and to become part of our team. The successful candidate will be an excellent classroom practitioner and have a passion for teaching that will shine through in the classroom. A warm manner, initiative and excellent organisational and communication skills are central to this role. Also important is the ability to think creatively and build a strong rapport with pupils, colleagues, and parents.

#### Teaching Duties

- Inspire and motivate pupils in the classroom, and to enable potential to be reached.
- Support Head of Subjects and Phase Leaders in planning, teaching and learning across the year group.
- Ensure all lessons are well planned and allow for effective differentiation.
- Mark, assess, record and report on children's progress and attainment in line with departmental and whole school expectations.
- Liaise with the Phase Leader on all curriculum and pupil related matters where appropriate.
- Ensure best possible practice within the year group and evaluate its effectiveness.
- Liaise with other departments and year groups and maximise any opportunities for cross-curricular links.
- Assist with a programme of transition between year groups throughout the academic year.
- Celebrate pupils' work through displays throughout the year group and around the school.
- Maintain detailed academic records of pupils for the year group across all areas
- Maintain detailed pastoral records of pupils for the year group.
- Promote and ensure consistent pupil involvement in the pupil rewards system across all three strands.
- Write reports and advise at Parents' Evenings as required and communicate effectively to parents about the progress of their child

#### Additional Responsibilities

- Participate fully in the wider life of the school, including the teaching of games.
- Attend relevant weekly meetings.
- Supervise pupils on school trips and visits, as required.
- Attend Admissions related events, including Open Mornings.

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Candidates should submit an online application. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis therefore early application is encouraged.

Any enquiries about the application procedure should be emailed to recruitment@brightoncollegeprepkensington.co.uk

Where appropriate, candidates invited to interview may be asked to teach an observed lesson, where appropriate, as part of the process. Further information on the observed lesson will be provided in advance of interview.







#### Remuneration

Brighton College Prep
Kensington has its own pay scale,
above the maintained sector.
There is also an excellent and
flexible benefits package, the
contents of which can be
controlled by individual teachers
themselves. Generous fee
remission is also available for
dependent children, subject to a
place being available. All of our
teachers are enrolled into the
Teachers' Pension Scheme.

## Safeguarding and equal opportunities

Brighton College Prep
Kensington is committed to
safeguarding and promoting the
welfare of children and young
people and expects all staff and
volunteers to share this
commitment. Any offer of
employment will be subject to
successfully completing preemployment checks, including an
enhanced DBS disclosure, the
receipt of satisfactory references,
the school's pre-employment

medical questionnaire, relevant original ID documentation and examination certificates.

The school is an equal opportunities employer and is committed to ensuring that the recruitment and selection of staff is conducted in a manner that is systematic, efficient and effective and promotes equality of opportunity.