THE DOWNS
PREPARATORY SCHOOL
BRISTOL

Job Description and Person Specification

Dance Teaching Assistant **Term time only, one day a week (6 hours), plus occasional additional hours.**	
Summary of the role:	Working alongside the Head of Dance, this is an exciting opportunity to work in a large, thriving dance department, offering both private and curriculum dance lessons in a leading Preparatory School. You will assist the delivery of a broad range of dance styles including ballet, tap and jazz.
Line manager:	Head of Dance
Safeguarding:	The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. You will promote and safeguard the welfare of children and young persons for who you are responsible and with whom you come into contact.
Main responsibilities of the role:	• To support the Head of Dance in developing a varied programme of dance, suitable for curriculum and private lessons. • To help prepare children for exams, dance shows and concerts. • To be available to work occasional extra days during the school year to assist the Head of Dance with preparation and delivery of performances. These include, yearly dance exams, dance shows, concerts, the school fete and the end of year Celebration Day. • You will need to have the ability and confidence to lead dance lessons independently.

Person specification and skills:	• Ideally trained at a professional dance conservatoire, or dance teacher training. • Able to teach a variety of dance styles particularly ballet and tap. • Enjoys working with children. • Happy to engage in a broad range of duties. • Adaptable and proactive. • Cheerful and good humoured, with a friendly disposition. • Energetic and enthusiastic about dance.

You may also be required to undertake such other duties as the Head teacher requires from time to time.

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