



MOWDEN HALL SCHOOL

Appointment of School Counsellor

INTRODUCTION

Mowden Hall is an independent co-educational boarding and day school of 170 children from age 3 – 13 situated in the Northumberland countryside, fifteen miles west of Newcastle. The Pre-Prep and Nursery are based on the same site and share facilities with the Prep School. The Prep School has a strong boarding ethos with the majority of the children boarding.

Mowden Hall is set in 50 acres of stunning grounds with fabulous views over the Tyne Valley. The School provides an extremely broad, holistic education with the ethos that education does not start and stop at the classroom door. Whilst we strive for excellence in our academic provision, there is also considerable emphasis on developing the children's skills and interests, and hence great importance is also attached to the extra-curricular programme.

Children from Mowden Hall go on to a wide range of senior schools including Oundle, Uppingham, Eton, Shrewsbury, Stowe, Rugby, Sedbergh, Oakham, Glenalmond, Ampleforth, Fettes and Queen Margaret's, as well as the Newcastle day schools. Multiple scholarships in all disciplines have been achieved in recent years and since September 2007 all children have been successful at 13+ entry to their senior school of choice.

Mowden Hall is a member of the Cothill Trust. The Trust provides exciting opportunities for the School in terms of investment and development. Château de Sauveterre, near Toulouse in France, is also a member of the Trust and Mowden children in Year 7 currently spend a term at the Château learning the French language and culture. Other members of the Cothill Trust are Cothill House, Kitebrook House, Chandlings School, Ashdown House and Barfield School.

The Role

We have an exciting opportunity for a motivated and suitably qualified School Counsellor to provide a high-quality counselling service to our pupils and staff, who may be experiencing a range of emotional difficulties.

The School Counsellor will observe confidentiality and support the school's endeavour to provide excellent pastoral care for the School and its community. They will contribute to the safeguarding and promotion of the welfare and personal care of the pupils and staff. They will comply with, and adhere to, agreed whole school policies.

Knowledge

- An understanding of the developmental, emotional, social and educational issues of children and young people.
- An awareness of a range of needs of people from diverse ethnic, cultural, social backgrounds.

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- Knowledge of local mental health and services.

Experience

- Minimum of 1 year post qualification experience
- Minimum of 2 years' experience working with children and young people.

Main Tasks and Responsibilities

- To provide the pupil(s) or member of staff with support, guidance and advice.
- To be responsible for advice and support to staff.
- To be responsible for maintaining appropriate and confidential records.
- To liaise with the Designated Safeguarding Lead on a frequent basis.
- To have a thorough knowledge of mental health provision locally and nationally.
- To continually review and evaluate the service.
- The School Counsellor will report to the Headmaster's Wife (DDSL).

Skills and Abilities

- Good written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to work independently
- Positive communication and listening skills
- Patience, tolerance and sensitivity
- A mature and non-judgemental outlook
- Enthusiasm

APPLICATIONS

Persons wishing to apply for the position of School Counsellor must complete an Application Form (www.mowdenhall.co.uk/vacancies) and submit a letter of application with full CV addressed to Mr Neal Bailey, Headmaster, by Monday, 22nd April 2019. Items should be posted to the address below or emailed to info@mowdenhall.co.uk

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