



AMESBURY SCHOOL
HINDHEAD

ROLE DESCRIPTION



About Amesbury School

Amesbury is an independent co-educational day preparatory school educating pupils between the ages of 9 months and 13 years.

The main catchment areas for the school include Godalming, Haslemere, Midhurst, Petersfield and Farnham. Despite intense competition Amesbury has continued to be one of the strongest preparatory schools in the area and features in the Good Schools Guide. The Independent Schools Inspectorate's compliance inspection (July 2022) concluded that Amesbury was fully compliant. Their last compliance and education quality inspection (Sept 2017) reported that Amesbury was excellent in all categories and subcategories.

Children left the school in July 2023 for over 21 different senior schools, reflecting Amesbury's independence. Over 50 scholarships have been awarded to Amesbury pupils in the last three years.

The school has a special energy and culture, and the people who work and volunteer here are excited to do so and completely committed to Amesbury.

Details of the Roles

We are currently looking to further enhance and strengthen Amesbury's Governing Board by recruiting three new Governors to cover the following areas:

- Early Years Foundation Stage
- Education
- Facilities and Operations.

We are interested in hearing from people with expertise in each of these areas. In relation to Early Years and Education, we would be particularly interested in individuals with SLT-level educational experience.

The role of an Amesbury Governor is to support the school to run as effectively as possible, working alongside the Head and Chair of Governors, as well as other senior members of staff to provide an excellent education for the children who attend Amesbury School. More specifically, Governors help to make and challenge strategic and financial decisions. Governors are also expected to uphold the ethos, aims and values of the school and to act as ambassadors for the school.

These are voluntary positions. No previous governor experience is necessary, and we welcome applications from anyone interested in the education of young people who has the appropriate level of expertise and sufficient time to dedicate to these roles.

Governors are expected to serve a minimum term of three years.

Governors are required to attend three full board meetings a year, generally in person, whilst providing additional support for at least one other relevant sub-committee (Premises and Finance, Health and Safety, Education and Safeguarding, Nominations and Governance) once a term.

Amesbury is a registered charity and company limited by guarantee, so Governors are Trustees of the charity and Directors of the company.

With a new Head having started in September 2023, this is an exciting time to be involved in Amesbury's future.

To learn more about our school please visit: www.amesburyschool.co.uk/careers/

Person Specification

The ideal candidate for each of the roles will have the following qualities:

- Enthusiasm about education and the welfare of children and young people.
- Strategic leadership skills.
- An understanding of the need for clear vision, strategy, plans, motivation, governance and controls.
- An understanding of the importance of promoting diversity, equality and inclusion

- The desire to share skills and expertise with the rest of the Board and Senior Leadership of the School.
- Possess an outstanding level of expertise in their field.
- The desire to contribute to the ongoing development of an ever-improving school with strong values and ethos.
- The ability to work as an ambassador for the school.

It is important to us that our Governing Body reflects the diversity of our local community, and we therefore welcome applications from minority groups currently under-represented on the Board.

Amesbury School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Appointments are subject to child protection screening, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

How to apply

Applicants should send a current CV and covering letter in support to: Mrs Sarah Jones (Bursar and Clerk to the Governors) at: s.jones@amesburyschool.co.uk

We will close the application process for each role upon receipt of sufficient applications.