NURSERY TEACHER (MATERNITY COVER) – JANUARY 2027

Ackworth School is seeking an enthusiastic, caring and passionate Nursery Teacher to join our welcoming Early Years team at Coram House on a maternity cover basis from January 2027.

Coram House Early Years is a nurturing and welcoming environment where we place great importance on individualised learning, high standards and pastoral care. Our curriculum is delivered through a combination of play-based learning and adult-led sessions, providing children with meaningful opportunities to develop and thrive.

Ackworth School, a co-educational boarding and day school, was founded in 1779 by the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). It maintains its ethos and traditions and is still governed by the Society. The school is academically non-selective and provides an excellent range of facilities and co-curricular opportunities, recently achieving fantastic feedback in the ISI inspection (January 2026). The Head is a member of both HMC and the Society of Heads.

The successful candidate will play an important role in nurturing and teaching our youngest learners, helping them develop the skills, knowledge and confidence they need for a lifelong love of learning.

Working collaboratively with our Early Years team, you will plan and deliver engaging learning experiences, support children's individual development and create a stimulating, positive nursery environment.

The role will also involve assessing and recording children's progress, communicating effectively with parents and carers, and contributing to the wider life and ethos of the School.

As a non-selective school, we offer a broad education that supports all abilities. Our small class sizes mean that our teachers can dedicate more time to deliver a rich curriculum, allowing all pupils to make progress. Our pupils are one of Ackworth's USP's. Visitors to the school never fail to acknowledge how amazing they are and how positive the encounter is. This is something that makes a career at Ackworth such a rewarding one.

As a relatively small school, around 430 pupils in total, we enable pupils and staff to immediately become part of our community and we hope that, if this role is something that resonates with your skills and values, you will become a key part of the Ackworth School community.

The salary for this role will be on the Ackworth Teacher Scale dependant on experience. (£30,917 - £46,251) based on working Monday – Friday, 35 hours a week, term-time only (34 weeks per year).

In return we offer:

- a generous fee remission of 50% for the children of our staff.
- all food and refreshments during the working day.
- free on-site parking.
- flexible pension and wellbeing benefits.
- a supportive and friendly environment based on the Quaker ethos of the school.
- a beautiful working location in an ideal location within easy travelling distance of the main centres of Sheffield, Leeds, Doncaster and York.

Completed school application forms should be submitted with a cover letter of no more than one page and should be sent by email to: jobs@ackworthschool.com

Closing Date: Friday 27th November at 9:00 a.m.

Interviews will be held w/c 30th November. We reserve the right to see candidates prior to the closing date so early application is recommended.

Applicants should read carefully the Recruitment, Selection and Disclosure Policy. Our recruitment privacy notice is also available on our website within "Working For Us".

Ackworth School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and all applicants will undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and an enhanced DBS and Barred list check with Disclosure and Barring Service. Applicants should also be in sympathy with the School's Quaker ethos.

For an informal and confidential discussion, please contact Ellie Spendlove on 01977 233600 or ellie.spendlove@ackworthschool.com