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## Dear Applicant

Thank you for requesting details of the post of Administration Officer, Maternity Leave Cover at Newcastle High School for Girls. I hope that the enclosed information will encourage you to apply for a job in our successful and happy school. You will also find the School offers a very pleasant and supportive atmosphere in which to work.

I regard every member of staff as extremely important. It is essential that anyone joining Newcastle High School for Girls has the ability and drive to help us improve further by participating wholeheartedly in all aspects of school life and promoting our ethos.

We are all committed to helping every individual in the School, both staff and pupils, achieve their full potential. We have a thorough Induction Programme for all staff and the Staff Room is lively and welcoming.

Extensive building and refurbishment programmes in recent years mean that both our Senior and Junior School sites have some of the most impressive school facilities in the region and, indeed, the UK.

I do hope that you will apply for this post. Newcastle High School for Girls is a wonderful School in which to work and this is an exciting opportunity. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Hardie

Head



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## **About the School**





Newcastle High School for Girls is the North East's leading independent girls' day school. Founded in 2014, following the merger of two very long-standing predecessor schools, NHSG is a state-of-the-art, modern school with a tradition and history stemming back almost 150 years.

We are an all through school (ages 3-18) with around 250 girls in the Junior School and 450 in the Senior School, including 150 in the Sixth Form, who, together with around 150 staff, make up a friendly and welcoming community.

The Junior and Senior Schools occupy their own separate campuses around a mile apart and this role is based at our Senior School site. Our two campuses are situated within the suburban, leafy, areas of Jesmond and Sandyford, both with excellent transport links to the Tyne & Wear Metro and bus services from across the region.

Our School is a very popular choice at all ages with girls joining us from most parts of the Tyne & Wear metropolitan area as well as areas further afield in Durham, Northumberland, the Tyne Valley, the Borders and Teesside.

Girls who attend NHSG are bright, enthusiastic, eager to learn and have high aspirations. Our public examination results are consistently outstanding, and girls go on to study a wide range of subjects at prestigious universities in the UK and abroad. NHSG is highly regarded for the way it achieves its outstanding outcomes within a particularly warm and supportive environment, with pastoral care and achieving the best for every girl at the heart of everything we do.

## Overview – Administration and the Administrator role



Within a busy and vibrant school, this position offers the successful candidate a varied role working closely with other members of the whole school administration team in the Senior School General Office. The job role will be mainly located at our Senior School, in Jesmond, but you will also on occasion work in the Junior School office, in Sandyford. You will therefore need to be flexible in your approach to your duties as well as your location of work.

When based at the Senior School, and in addition to your administrative duties as set out in the job description, you will provide Reception cover from 4.00 pm – 6.00 pm. There is the opportunity to work flexibly with another member of the administrative team where you can alternate your weekly working hours to work 8.00 am – 4.00 pm one week and 10.00 until 6.00 pm the next week subject to any other requirements of the manager and the school. You will therefore need to be confident in working on your own in a front of house role responding promptly and professionally to parents' requests as well as providing support to the school and its teaching team. You also need to be confident in working with children, agile and quick thinking; no two days will be the same!

You will report to the Data and Office Manager, who leads a team of eight staff who support the data and administrative functions of the whole school and ensure that the school operates efficiently. If successful, you will be an important member of a warm friendly team and will be provided with training and support to carry out your duties.



## About the Girls' Day School Trust













The GDST is a family of 23 independent schools and two all girls' academies across England and Wales. As specialists in girls' education, we tailor our teaching to the way girls learn best and instil in them the conviction that there is no limit to what they can achieve.

At GDST, we focus not only on what is learned but how it is learned. Ensuring our girls are confident and fearless, determined to show what they can do. Nothing holds our girls back – they're encouraged to embrace every role and subject. As a result, they trust their own abilities and are alive to every opportunity.

We concentrate on creating an environment where all can thrive and learn from one another. Physical and emotional well-being is paramount, which is why every GDST school provides an incredible array of extra-curricular activities and wellbeing programmes.

Within this family, networking opportunities enable staff to share best practice and develop initiatives that benefit all our schools and pupils. In addition to supporting the work of individual schools in providing excellent induction and development opportunities for staff, the GDST provides access to an extensive training programme. This includes development opportunities and grants for individual courses of study.