



FARNBOROUGH HILL

WHOLEHEARTEDLY

from the Headmistress
Mrs Maria Young MA PGCE

LANGUAGE ASSISTANT - FRENCH (Part-Time)

Background to the School

Farnborough Hill is an independent Catholic day school and a member of the Girls' Schools Association, Independent Schools' Association and CISC. It welcomes pupils and staff of all faiths and no faith, provided they are in sympathy with the ethos of the School. About one quarter of the 478 pupils are Catholics. A similar proportion of the staff are Catholic.

Located on the Hampshire/Surrey border, the School has excellent transport links, both by train and road being about a 10 minutes' walk from Farnborough Main station.

Farnborough Hill is committed to the education of the whole person. The School places great emphasis on the all-round personal growth of its pupils. It aims for academic excellence as well as ensuring that pupils play a full part in school life and have the opportunities to develop their co-curricular interests.

The School offers Academic, Art, Drama, Music and Sports Scholarships at 11+ as well as means-tested bursaries for families in need of financial assistance. Sixth Form Scholarships are awarded on the basis of open examination, as well as for excellence in Creative Arts, Music, Performing Arts and Sport.

In 2025 our A level pupils once again achieved impressive results with an excellent 50% of all grades at A*/A and 76% A*-B. Our GCSE results were also excellent with 48% of grades awarded at 9-7.

The School's aim is to engage wholeheartedly in all activities, challenges and opportunities. This is achieved through our pastoral care and encouragement of each individual. This is a strength of Farnborough Hill and we see it as an essential part of our caring, Christian ethos. Parents greatly appreciate this and see it as an important ingredient when choosing to send their daughters here.

The School is housed in the historic home of the ex-Empress Eugenie of France, to which much purpose-built school accommodation, such as the sports hall, swimming pool, Art and Design Technology Centre, modern laboratories, theatre, a music suite and hockey all-weather pitch have been added, with an inspiring new Sixth Form Centre which opened in September 2022. These facilities sit within approximately 65 acres of parkland making it a tranquil and inspiring place to work, alongside a forward-looking and ambitious Senior Leadership Team and governing body.

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The Modern Languages Department

The Modern Languages Department at Farnborough Hill is a friendly and dynamic team of successful teachers who care passionately about the languages they teach. The department currently consists of four full-time and two part-time members of staff. In addition, there are part-time language assistants in French, German and Spanish who provide conversation practice in small groups for GCSE pupils and one-to-one sessions for Sixth Form pupils. The department is housed in a suite of classrooms together with a fully equipped Resources Room.

All pupils choose to study two languages in Years 7 and 8. Key Stage 3 pupils have two MFL lessons per week. In Year 9, pupils will study either one or two languages, and at Stage 4 languages are optional. The department follows the AQA specification in all three languages and pupils are taught in sets according to their ability in MFL.

Modern Languages are also offered at A level, where small groups enable high standards to be reached, including Oxbridge entry level. The A level Modern Languages courses are examined by AQA. Sixth Form pupils are encouraged to attend courses, undertake work experience and/or stay with families abroad. Frequently, pupils choose to pursue languages at university.

During the year the department organises day and residential trips, including Christmas Markets and Paris, France for a variety of Year Groups, as well as work experience abroad for senior pupils. Themed languages days are also put on in school both for fun, and to raise the profile of languages as excellent subjects for study.

Language Assistant - French

We are seeking to appoint a fluent speaker (preferable first language French) of French to assist our pupils with their language oral work at GCSE and A level. This is a part-time role for 10 hours per week, term time only.

The main areas of responsibility are:

- To support language lessons in the target language through conversations and activities.
- To practise conversation with small groups of GCSE and A level pupils and to help prepare them for oral examinations.
- To liaise with class teachers on a regular basis regarding content and structure of language sessions.
- To be aware of the demands of the speaking elements of the A level and GCSE specifications and the corresponding schemes of assessment.
- To keep records of attendance and brief session details and to submit these to the Head of Languages on a weekly basis.
- To undertake other such specific duties appropriate to the general purpose of a Language Assistant which may, from time to time, be reasonably assigned by the Head of Department.

The appointment will be made as soon as possible, and the salary is £22.54 per hour. In accordance with the School's current employment policies, the first two terms of the appointment will be probationary.

All members of staff are expected to be in sympathy with and supportive of the ethos of the School as set out in the Mission Statement. All full-time members of staff are expected to be fully involved in the life of the School, contributing to co-curricular activities and undertaking responsibility in the tutorial teams.



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Farnborough Hill is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. Successful applicants will be required to undergo the appropriate DBS Code of Practice check.

Further information about the School can be found on our website. www.farnborough-hill.org

If you require any further information about this post or the School please telephone Mrs Mel Clark, the Headmistress's PA, in the first instance, on 01252 545197.

To apply please complete the Application Form, which is available from our website, and submit it to the Headmistress via email to HMSec@farnborough-hill.org

Please apply as soon as possible as applications will be considered upon receipt; we reserve the right to interview/appoint before the closing date.

Closing Date: 9.00 am on Friday 6 February 2026 – however if interested in applying for the role please submit your application as early as possible as it will be considered upon receipt

Interviews: Interviews will take place on a rolling basis, and may take place prior to the closing date

Start Date: Week commencing Monday 23 February 2026