



**Yehudi  
Menuhin  
School**

## **SATURDAY FACILITIES CLEANER**

### **Candidate Information Pack**



The deadline for applications is Friday 30 January 2026  
Interviews are expected to take place w/c 2 February 2026

## A welcome from the Headmaster

Thank you for expressing an interest in this role. I hope you find this document informative, and it explains everything you need to know about working at our very special school and whether it is the place for you.

The Yehudi Menuhin School is a world-leading specialist music school set in beautiful rural Surrey. We strive to promote a collegiate working environment with a strong sense of community. Staff and pupils are on first name terms, and all staff are encouraged to take an active part in the broader life of the school.

We are committed to the wellbeing of all our community and aspire to promote a healthy sense of balance in our pupils and staff. Ongoing professional development is very important to us, and all new staff are given an induction and the training necessary to fulfil their duties.

YMS is an exceptional place full of creative, talented people from all over the world. We would be delighted to receive your application, and we look forward to welcoming you to this unique school.

Robin Harskin  
Headmaster

## The Yehudi Menuhin School

Founded in 1963 by the world-renowned violinist and educator Yehudi Menuhin, the school provides a place for musically gifted children from around the world to develop their talents to the highest level within a stimulating academic environment. It was accorded the status of Centre for Excellence in the Performing Arts in 1973 and has a global reputation as one of the world's leading music schools.

Today's school provides a holistic education for around 90 exceptional pupils aged from 9 to 19, with specialist tuition on the stringed instruments, piano, classical guitar, harp and composition. Pupils split their time between their academic and musical studies and are given many opportunities to perform in front of an audience. Concerts take place regularly in The Menuhin Hall, but also in local state schools, care homes and churches, carrying on Menuhin's belief in the importance of giving back to the community.

The school also boasts a Virtual Menuhin School, which offers pupils not enrolled at the school the unique opportunity to receive specialist music education in a virtual environment, receiving musicianship, theory and instrumental training and the chance to connect with other young musicians across the globe.

Pupils are admitted based on talent, potential and passion for music, not on their ability to pay the fees. Today, around 90% of pupils require some level of financial assistance to attend YMS. The School is one of nine specialist UK schools that are supported by the Department for Education's Music and Dance Scheme.

YMS Alumni include renowned international soloists such as Nigel Kennedy, Nicola Benedetti CBE, Tasmin Little OBE, Alina Ibragimova, Valeriy Sokolov, Kathryn Stott and Melvyn Tan. Many other alumni are shaping the global cultural landscape through teaching at leading conservatoires and performing with world-class orchestras and chamber ensembles.

## Purpose of the role

The Yehudi Menuhin School is looking for a Cleaner to work at the Menuhin Hall every Saturday and assist with cleaning and housekeeping in the main school buildings when required.



## Key points about the role:

**Contract Type:**

Permanent, Part-time

**Hours:**

3 hours - 7am until 10am  
preferably however we will  
allow flexibility on times.

Additional hours may be  
available during school  
holidays and on an ad-hoc  
basis.

**Salary:**

£12.52 per hour

**Holidays:**

5 days per annum

**Pension:**

The School offers a  
very generous pension,  
contributing 13.5% every  
month with the employee  
contributing at least 6%.

**Probation Period:**

3 months

**Reporting to:**

Nikki Davies, Cleaning  
Supervisor

**Start date:**

7 February 2026

**Location:**

Stoke D'Abernon Cobham,  
Surrey, UK

**Other Benefits:**

- Use of the School's swimming pool (when available)
- Free lunchtime concerts
- Discounted tickets to other school events
- Free parking
- 24/7 access to AXA Thrive app for mental wellbeing
- AXA Health telephone line access for medical support and advice
- 24/7 access to DAS counselling services
- Life Assurance
- A health cash plan provided by Medicash

## Key Areas of Responsibility

- Regularly clean all areas of the Menuhin Hall.
- Clean the kitchen and bar area when required.
- Clean/tidy auditorium.
- Wipe Clean the tables.
- Clean all of the toilets in the hall and change the toilet rolls when necessary.
- Hoover and clean the ground floor and upper foyer areas of the Hall.
- In the main school buildings, clean bedrooms, change bedding, cleaning staff and student accommodation and classrooms when requested.

Duties listed are not exhaustive; all members of staff are expected to undertake duties reasonably required by the Head.

## Person Specification

### Experience & Knowledge

- Previous experience in cleaning roles (commercial or domestic).
- Knowledge of safe use of cleaning chemicals and equipment.
- Understanding of health and safety regulations, including COSHH.

### Skills & Abilities

- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Good attention to detail and high standards of cleanliness.
- Ability to follow instructions and adhere to schedules.
- Physical ability to perform cleaning tasks (e.g. lifting, bending, standing for long periods).

### Personal Qualities

- Reliable and punctual.
- Honest and trustworthy.
- Positive attitude and willingness to learn.
- Respectful and professional when interacting with staff and visitors.

### Desirable Criteria

- Experience in a similar environment (e.g. schools, offices, healthcare).
- Basic knowledge of infection control procedures.
- Flexibility to work additional hours if required.

## SATURDAY FACILITIES CLEANER: CANDIDATE INFORMATION PACK

The successful candidate will:	Essential	Desirable
Enhanced DBS check	✓	
UK right to work check	✓	
UK and EEA prohibited list checks	✓	
Satisfactory references	✓	
Medical declaration	✓	
Verification of qualifications	✓	
Maths & English GCSE or equivalent	✓	
First Aid at Work		✓

Shortlisted candidates will be assessed using:

- Completed application form
- Covering letter
- Interview
- References
- Documentary evidence

## How to apply

If you would like any more information about the post, or would like to discuss the job before applying, please contact HR by email [recruitment@menuhinschool.co.uk](mailto:recruitment@menuhinschool.co.uk) or call 01932 584790.

Please complete our [application form](#) if you feel you are a suitable candidate and are interested in applying.

The deadline is 5pm on Friday 30 January 2026. Interviews are expected to take place the week commencing Monday 2 February 2026.

Your application form should be completed in full and submitted along with a covering letter addressed to the Head, Dr Robin Harskin. Applications will be held in line with our records retention policy. Early applications are encouraged, and the School reserves the right to close the application process early should a suitable candidate be found.

The Yehudi Menuhin School is committed to safeguarding the welfare of children. The School is registered with the DBS and successful applicants will be required to complete successfully the Disclosure Procedure at Enhanced level. It is an offence for a person barred from working with children to apply for this post.

The Yehudi Menuhin School is an Equal Opportunities employer and welcomes applications from all sectors of the community.



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