



THE SOLENT SCHOOLS

Catering Assistant (Split Site – Solent Infant School and Solent Junior School)

Closing Date: 12 noon on Wednesday 4 November 2026

Interview Date(s): Tuesday 10 November 2026

Job Start Date: Wednesday 4 January 2027 (or sooner by agreement)

Salary: £25,948 Full Time Equivalent

Contract: Permanent, 39 weeks (Term Time Only) Part Time

Hours of Work: 10 hours per week 5 days 11.30am to 1.30pm – Actual Salary £6082.47

We are looking for a well organised, self-motivated person with a range of practical skills to join our friendly and approachable staff team. Both experienced and new to role would be welcome to apply given relevant skills. Food hygiene certificate desirable but not essential as training will be given.

Key Accountabilities:

- To actively promote the School's Equal Opportunities Policy and observe the standard of conduct which prevents discrimination taking place.
- To maintain awareness of and commitment to the School's Equal Opportunity Policies in relation to both employment and service delivery.
- To fully comply with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 etc, the School's Health and Safety Policy and all locally agreed safe methods of work.
- At the discretion of the Head Teacher, such other activities as may from time to time be agreed consistent with the nature of the job described above.
- To work with colleagues to achieve service plan objectives and targets
- To participate in Employee Development schemes and Performance Management and contribute to the identification of own team development needs.

The successful candidate's principal responsibilities / duties will be:-

- Cooking in accordance with menus, serving of meals including the organisation, setting up, cleaning and clearing up. To undertake general kitchen duties.
- To support and assist the Assistant Catering Manager/Lead Cook.
- Clearing and cleaning of Kitchen and Dining areas.
- To assist in ensuring that School's standards are met.



At the discretion of the Catering Manager, such other activities as may be agreed consistent with the nature of the job described above

In return we will offer:-

- A caring and positive environment inspired by our strong ethos
- A team committed to the wellbeing of staff and pupils
- The opportunity to work within a 'good' school amongst a hardworking team of friendly staff
- A supportive, friendly and welcoming school team
- Superb working conditions and environment
- Appropriate training as required

You will be based predominantly at The Solent Schools. However, as you will be appointed to The De Curci Trust, you may be required to work in any of The De Curci Trust's academies or in any of the schools/academies that the Trust is supporting as reasonably directed by the CEO. The ability to travel independently between DCT academies/schools is therefore essential.

Visits to our schools are warmly welcomed and encouraged. Please contact Clare Winnicott at Solent Infant School by emailing recruit@thesolentschools.org to arrange an appointment time.

If you wish to apply for this post, please click the link below

<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/144189/EDV-2026-SIS-70358>

The De Curci Trust and The Solent Schools (Solent Infant School and Solent Junior School) are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers and other third parties to share this commitment. Safer recruitment practice and pre-employment background checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed. We will ensure that all our recruitment and selection practices reflect this commitment. All successful candidates will be subject to Disclosure and Barring checks along with all other relevant employment checks (including overseas checks).

Completed application forms will be passed to the recruitment panel for shortlisting and will be reviewed against the person specification detailed in the advert. Applications will be assessed upon receipt and we reserve the right to interview and appoint prior to the closing date. An early application is therefore strongly advised.