



Lacon Childe School

Job description: Teaching Assistant Level 2

Job title: Teaching Assistant

Permanent, term time only

27.67 hours per week.

Actual work pattern:

8.50am to 4.15 Mondays with 45 minutes lunchbreak

8.50am to 3.15 pm Tuesday to Friday with 45 minutes lunchbreak

Salary Scale 3, pay range 5-6 £19650-£20043 (pro rata for actual hours and weeks worked).

Progression is subject to annual performance management review.

Actual annual pay for hours indicated £12178.20 - £12421.77

Reporting to: SENCO/ Head of Hub

Main purpose

The Teaching Assistant will:

Work with class teachers, Faculty leads and the SENCO to raise the learning and attainment of pupils either in main school or our specialist SEN unit.

Promote pupils' independence, self-esteem and social inclusion

Give support to pupils, individually or in groups, so they can access the curriculum, take part in learning and experience a sense of achievement

Duties and responsibilities

Teaching and learning

Demonstrate an informed and efficient approach to teaching and learning by adopting relevant strategies to support the work of the teacher and increase achievement of all pupils including, where appropriate, those with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)

Promote, support and facilitate inclusion by encouraging participation of all pupils in learning and extracurricular activities

- Use effective behaviour management strategies consistently in line with the school’s policy and procedures
- Support class teachers with maintaining good order and discipline among pupils, managing behaviour effectively to ensure a good and safe learning environment
- Organise and manage teaching space and resources to help maintain a stimulating and safe learning environment
- Observe pupil performance and pass observations on to the class teacher
- Supervise a class if the teacher is temporarily unavailable
- Use ICT skills to advance pupils’ learning
- Undertake any other relevant duties given by the class teacher or Faculty lead

The Teaching Assistant will be required to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people, and follow school policies and the staff code of conduct.

Please note that this is illustrative of the general nature and level of responsibility of the role. It is not a comprehensive list of all tasks that the teacher will carry out. The postholder may be required to do other duties appropriate to the level of the role, as directed by the headteacher or line manager.

Person specification

CRITERIA	QUALITIES You may wish to classify these as “essential” or “desirable” depending on your expectations for the role
Qualifications and experience	Level 2 or 3 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools, Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education, or other relevant qualification in nursery work or childcare (or willingness to work towards a qualification if not already held) GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C) including English and maths Experience of working with children

Skills and knowledge	<p>Good literacy and numeracy skills</p> <p>Good organisational skills</p> <p>Ability to build effective working relationships with pupils and adults</p> <p>Skills and expertise in understanding the needs of all pupils</p> <p>Knowledge of how to help adapt and deliver support to meet individual needs</p> <p>Subject and curriculum knowledge relevant to the role, and ability to apply this effectively in supporting teachers and pupils</p> <p>Excellent verbal communication skills</p> <p>Active listening skills</p> <p>The ability to remain calm in stressful situations</p> <p>Knowledge of guidance and requirements around safeguarding children</p> <p>Good ICT skills, particularly using ICT to support learning</p> <p>Understanding of roles and responsibilities within the classroom and whole school context</p>
Personal qualities	<p>Enjoyment of working with children</p> <p>Sensitivity and understanding, to help build good relationships with pupils</p> <p>A commitment to getting the best outcomes for all pupils and promoting the ethos and values of the school</p> <p>Commitment to maintaining confidentiality at all times</p> <p>Commitment to safeguarding pupil's wellbeing and equality</p>

Notes:

This job description may be amended at any time in consultation with the postholder.

Payrates applicable as at 1st April 2021