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Level 4B Model Job Description for Teaching Assistants (SUPPORTING AND DELIVERING LEARNING)

Hours: 08:30 – 16:00 (Half Hour Lunch Break)

Grade: SO1

Reporting To: Head Teacher

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE JOB

To complement the professional work of teachers by taking responsibility for agreed learning activities under an agreed system of supervision. This will include PPA cover and may involve planning, preparing and delivering learning activities for individuals/groups or short term for whole classes, monitoring pupils and assessing, recording and reporting on pupils achievement, progress and development and inputting data from across the school into Target Tracker and Rising Stars.

Responsible for the management and development of a specialist area within the school. This may include SEN admin support for the Inclusion lead, the development of social and curriculum focused initiatives aimed at increasing parental involvement, organisation and development of the library, organisation and deployment of stationary, leading display work in public areas, maintaining the good order of resource areas.

The post may also include supervision of other teaching assistants including allocation and monitoring of work, training, lead for First Aid, inducting and coordinating volunteers, and the organisation of lunchtime activities for pupils and the supervision of lunchtime staff.

SUPPORT FOR PUPILS

- Assess the needs of pupils and use detailed knowledge and specialist skills to support pupils' learning
- Establish productive working relationships with pupils, acting as a role model and setting high expectations
- Develop and implement IEPs
- Promote the inclusion and acceptance of all pupils within the classroom
- Support pupils consistently whilst recognising and responding to their individual needs
- Encourage pupils to interact and work co-operatively with others and engage all pupils in activities
- Promote independence and employ strategies to recognise and reward achievement of self-reliance
- Provide feedback to pupils in relation to progress and achievement

SUPPORT FOR TEACHERS

- Organise and manage appropriate learning environment and resources
- Within an agreed system of supervision, plan challenging teaching and learning objectives to evaluate and adjust lessons/work plans as appropriate
- Monitor and evaluate pupil responses to learning activities through a range of assessment and monitoring strategies against pre-determined learning objectives
- Provide objective and accurate feedback and reports as required on pupil achievement, progress and other matters, ensuring the availability of appropriate evidence
- Record progress and achievement in lessons/activities systematically and providing evidence of range and level of progress and attainment.



- Inputting data from across the school onto the school's assessment tools: Target Tracker and Rising Stars
- Work within an established discipline policy to anticipate and manage behaviour constructively, promoting self control and independence
- Supporting the role of parents in pupils' learning and contribute to/lead meetings with parents to provide constructive feedback on pupil progress/achievement etc.
- Administer and assess/mark tests and invigilate exams/tests
- Production of lesson plans, worksheet, plans etc.

SUPPORT FOR THE CURRICULUM

- Deliver learning activities to pupils within agreed system of supervision, adjusting activities according to pupil responses/needs
- Deliver local and national learning strategies and make effective use of opportunities provided by other learning activities to support the development of pupils' skills and knowledge
- Use ICT effectively to support learning activities and develop pupils' competence and independence in its use
- Select and prepare resources necessary to lead learning activities, taking account of pupils' interests and language and cultural backgrounds
- Advise on appropriate deployment and use of specialist aid/resources/equipment

SUPPORT FOR THE SCHOOL

- Comply with and assist with the development of policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting concerns to an appropriate person
- Organise and maintain the school library
- Provide PPA cover
- Be aware of and support difference and ensure all pupils have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop
- Contribute to the overall ethos/work/aims of the school
- Take a lead in ensuring work displayed in public areas is of a high standard
- Organisation and deployment of stationary
- Maintain good order of resource areas
- Establish constructive relationships and communicate with other agencies/professionals, in liaison with the teacher, to support achievement and progress of pupils
- Take the initiative as appropriate to develop appropriate multi-agency approaches to supporting pupils
- Recognise own strengths and areas of specialist expertise and use these to lead, advise and support others
- Deliver out of school learning activities within guidelines established by the school
- Contribute to the identification and execution of appropriate out of school learning activities which consolidate and extend work carried out in class
- Input whole school data into Target Tracker and Rising Stars



LINE MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Supervise other teaching assistants
- Liaise between mangers/teaching staff and teaching assistants
- Hold regular team meetings with managed staff
- Represent teaching assistants at teaching staff/management/other appropriate meetings
- Undertake induction /training/mentoring for other teaching assistants
- First Aid Lead
- Induct and coordinate volunteers
- Supervision of lunchtime staff

The duties above are neither exclusive nor exhaustive and the post holder may be required by the Head Teacher to carry out appropriate duties within the context of the job, skills and grade.



Arrangements for appraisal of performance:

There is an annual appraisal cycle carried out by line mangers which seeks to acknowledge success, resolve problems and identify training/development needs.

Experience	 Experience working with children of relevant age in a learning environment
Qualifications/Training	 Meet Higher Level Teaching Assistant standards or equivalent qualification or experience Excellent numeracy/literacy skills – equivalent to NVQ Level 2 in English and Maths Training in relevant learning strategies e.g. literacy Specialist skills/training in curriculum or learning area e.g. bi-lingual, sign language, ICT
Knowledge/Skills	 Can use ICT effectively to support learning Full working knowledge of relevant polices/codes of practice/legislation Working knowledge and experience of implementing national/foundation stage curriculum and other relevant learning programmes/strategies Good understanding of child development and learning processes Understanding of statutory frameworks relating to teaching Ability to organise, lead and motivate a team Constantly improve own practice/knowledge through self-evaluation and learning from others Ability to relate well to children and adults Work constructively as part of a team, understanding classroom roles and responsibilities and your own position within these
Equal Opportunities	 Commitment to the implementation of the school's equal opportunities policy
Continuing Professional Development	 Willingness to undertake additional training/staff development as appropriate Ability to reflect on your own professional practice

Person Specification