

#### JOB DESCRIPTION

Headteacher: Mr T Wilson

# **Teaching Assistant (Grade B)**

| Role                   | Break | No of<br>Posts | Grade | Hours  | Total<br>hours | Weeks<br>per<br>year |
|------------------------|-------|----------------|-------|--|----------------|----------------------|
| Teaching Assistant (B) | 30    | 1              | В     | 4 days - 8:45am to<br>3:45pm<br>1 day - 8:45am to 4:30pm | 33.25          | 39                   |

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The postholder will report to the Headteacher / Deputy Headteacher for overall general management

Responsible to Specialist Teaching Assistant and / or Class teacher for day to day operational matters.

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### Key responsibilities

- To provide support for pupils, the teacher and the school in order to help achieve an exceptional education for every child.
- To encourage pupils to become independent learners
- To provide support for their welfare and inclusion in all aspects of school life.
- To work under the guidance of teaching/senior staff and within an agreed system of supervision,
- To implement agreed work programmes with individuals/groups, in or out of the classroom.
  This could include those requiring detailed and specialist knowledge in particular areas and will
  involve assisting the teacher in the whole planning cycle and the management/preparation of
  resources.
- Staff may also supervise whole classes occasionally during the short-term absence of teachers. The primary focus will be to maintain good order and to keep pupils on task.
- To supervise and lead activities for children before/school, at lunchtime and playtime where required.
- Use IT systems and technology confidently including SIMS.
- Undertake general clerical/organisational support for the teacher.
- Support and enhance the Christian ethos of the school.

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#### **Key duties**

- 1. Creating and maintaining a purposeful, orderly and supportive environment, in accordance with lesson plans.
- 2. Mounting displays of pupils work under the direction of the teacher.
- 3. Using strategies, in liaison with the teacher, to support pupils to achieve learning goals
- 4. Assisting with the planning of learning activities on a regular basis
- 5. Monitoring pupils responses to learning activities and accurately recording achievement/progress as directed
- 6. Providing detailed and regular feedback to teachers on pupils' achievement, progress, problems etc.
- 7. Promoting good pupil behaviour, dealing promptly with conflict and incidents in line with established policy and encouraging pupils to take responsibility for their own behaviour
- 8. Establishing constructive relationships with parents/carers and where appropriate participating in feedback sessions with parents alongside the teacher
- 9. Administering routine tests, invigilating exams and undertaking routine marking of pupils work
- 10. Providing clerical/administrative support e.g. photocopying, typing, filing, money, administration of course work etc.
- 11. Supervising and providing particular support for pupils, including those with special needs, ensuring their safety and access to learning activities
- 12. Assisting with the development and implementation of Individual Education/Behaviour Plans and Personal Care Programmes
- 13. Establishing constructive relationships with pupils and interacting with them according to individual needs
- 14. Promoting the inclusion and acceptance of all pupils
- 15. Encouraging pupils to interact with others and to engage in activities led by the teacher
- 16. Setting challenging and demanding expectations and promoting self-esteem and independence
- 17. Providing feedback to pupils in relation to progress and achievement under the guidance of the teacher
- 18. Supervising and leading activities with of pupils out of lesson times, including before and after school, at lunchtimes and out of term time as required and under the direction of the Head Teacher Deputy Head Teacher/ Class Teacher / Specialist Teaching Assistant and agreed policies.
- 19. Supervising pupils on visits, trips and out of school activities as required and as in accordance with agreed policies.
- 20. Supporting the use of ICT in learning activities and developing pupils competence and independence in its use
- 21. Preparing, maintaining and using equipment/resources required to meet the lesson plans/relevant learning activity and assisting pupils in their use
- 22. Being aware of and complying with policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, and reporting all concerns to an appropriate person
- 23. Appreciating and supporting the role of other professionals
- 24. Participating in training and other learning activities and performance development as required
- 25. To achieve agreed service outcomes and outputs, and personal appraisal targets, as agreed.

- 26. To undertake training and constructively take part in meetings, supervision, seminars and other events designed to improve communication and assist with the effective development of the post and post holder.
- 27. Undertake regular Child Protection training at a level commensurate with the role
- 28. Carry out duties and responsibilities in accordance with the LA, diocese and school policies.

Please note: duties and responsibilities may be varied by the head teacher according to the needs and priorities of the school at any time. Key roles and responsibilities are reviewed annually.

| This job description was agreed by the post holder and the Head teacher on behalf of Sir John |              |  |  |  |  |
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| Cass's Foundation Primary School governing body on:   |              |  |  |  |  |
| Post Holder:  | Headteacher: |  |  |  |  |

## **PERSON SPECIFICATION**

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|                    |  | Essential/ |
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| Category           | Requirements   | Desirable  |
| Education/Training | Demonstrable level of proficiency in English and Mathematics which enables effective support to be given to children (by test) | Essential  |
|                    | Requirement to participate in training/development as/when identified by line manager as essential for performance of the post | Essential  |
|                    | Willingness to participate in other development and training opportunities   | Essential  |
|                    | NVQ 3 for Teaching Assistants or equivalent qualifications/ demonstrable effective practice.                                   | Essential  |
|                    | Training in the relevant learning strategies e.g. literacy   | Desirable  |
| Experience         | Working with or caring for children of relevant age  | Essential  |
| Knowledge          | Basic understanding of child development and learning  | Essential  |
|                    | Understanding of relevant policies/codes of practice and awareness of relevant legislation                                     | Desirable  |
|                    | General understanding of national/foundation stage curriculum and other basic learning programmes                              | Desirable  |
| Safeguarding       | Demonstrable working knowledge of applying child protection and safeguarding procedures.                                       | Essential  |
| Skills/Abilities   | Ability to effectively use ICT to support learning, or to undertake training to do so  | Essential  |

| Ability to use other technology confidently to support learning including SIMS.  | Essential |
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| Ability to self-evaluate learning needs and actively seek learning opportunities   | Essential |
| Ability to relate well to children and adults  | Essential |
| Ability to work constructively as part of a team, to understand classroom roles and responsibilities and own position within those         | Essential |
| Have an understanding of and support the aims and ethos of a Church of England school site, which serves a multi-faith/cultural community. | Essential |