



THE DEAN TRUST
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Chief Executive: Mr Tarun Kapur CBE

Chairman: Mr Damian McGann

Dear Applicant

Thank you for your interest in the position of **Teaching Assistant (Level 2)** at Dean Trust Wigan, Greenhey, Orrell, Wigan WN5 0DQ

Salary:

- **NJC Support Staff Grade 3, Scale Point 3-5**
- **£22,737 - £23,500 Full Time Equivalent**
- **£16,610 - £17,168 Actual Salary**

- **32.08 hours per week, Monday to Friday, 8.15am to 3:10pm with a 30-minute daily break**
- **Term time plus one week (staff inset days to be worked)**
- **Local Government Pension Scheme – Greater Manchester Pension Fund**

Please find below a job description and person specification.

If you would like to learn more about The Dean Trust, please visit www.thedeantrust.co.uk.

Method of Application

To apply please click on the **Apply Now** link on the recruitment page of the website above or for further information please contact the Human Resources Department at Dean Trust Wigan.

Closing Date

Applications received after the closing time of **8:00am, Thursday 08th February 2024** will not be considered.

The Dean Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment.

If you have any questions please contact us on 01942 511987. Thank you again for your interest in working for The Dean Trust. We look forward to hearing from you.

Human Resources Department



Job Description

The information contained below is to help staff understand and appreciate the work content of their post and the role they are to play in the operation. However, it should be noted that whilst every effort has been made to outline all the duties and responsibilities of the post, a document such as this does not permit every item to be specified in detail. Broad headings may therefore have been used, in which case all the usual associated duties are included in this job description.

Job title	Teaching Assistant Level 2
Reporting to	SENDCO
Main purpose of job	To work under the instruction/guidance of teaching/senior staff to undertake work/care/support programmes, to enable access to learning for pupils and to assist the teacher in the management of pupils and the classroom. Work may be carried out in the classroom or outside the main teaching area. May be required to supervise groups of pupils undertaking activities in non-teaching situations.
Main duties:	
Support for pupils	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supervise and provide particular support for pupils, including those with special needs, ensuring their safety and access to learning activities• Assist with the development and implementation of Individual Education/Behaviour Plans and Personal Care programmes• Establish constructive relationships with pupils and interact with them according to individual needs• Promote the inclusion and acceptance of all pupils• Encourage pupils to interact with others and engage in activities led by the teacher• Set challenging and demanding expectations and promote self-esteem and independence• Provide feedback to pupils in relation to progress and achievement under guidance of the teacher	
Support for teachers	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create and maintain a purposeful, orderly and supportive environment, in accordance with lesson plans and assist with the display of pupils' work• Use strategies, in liaison with the teacher, to support pupils to achieve learning goals• Assist with the planning of learning activities• Monitor pupils' responses to learning activities and accurately record achievement/progress as directed• Provide detailed and regular feedback to teachers on pupil's achievement, progress, problems etc.• Promote good pupil behaviour, dealing promptly with conflict and incidents in line with established policy and encourage pupils to take responsibility for their own behaviour• Establish constructive relationships with parents/carers• Administer routine tests and invigilate exams and undertake routine marking of pupils' work• Provide clerical/admin. support e.g. photocopying, typing, filing, money, administer coursework etc.	
Support for the curriculum	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Undertake structured and agreed learning activities/teaching programmes, adjusting activities according to pupil responses• Undertake programmes linked to local and national learning strategies e.g. literacy, numeracy, KS3, early years and recording achievement and progress and feeding back to the teacher• Support the use of ICT in learning activities and develop pupils' competence and independence in its use	

- Prepare, maintain and use equipment/resources required to meet the lesson plans/relevant learning activity and assist pupils in their use

Support for the school

- 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
- Appreciate and support the role of other professionals
- Attend and participate in relevant meetings as required
- Participate in training and other learning activities and performance development as required
- Assist with the supervision of pupils in non-teaching times, including before and after school and at lunchtime
- Accompany teaching staff and pupils on visits, trips and out of school activities as required and take responsibility for a group under the supervision of the teacher

All employees have the responsibility to:

- Ensure any documentation produced is to a high standard and is in line with the brand style
- Be aware and comply with all policies and procedures relating to safeguarding, child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to the appropriate person
- Participate in training and other learning activities as required
- Participate in the school/academy Performance Management process
- Provide appropriate guidance and supervision and assist in the training and development of staff as appropriate
- To promote the area of responsibility within the school/academy and beyond
- To represent the school/academy at events as appropriate
- To support and promote the school/academy ethos
- To undertake any other duties and responsibilities as required that are covered by the general scope of the post
- To undertake any other reasonable duties at the request of the Chief Executive & Academy Principal, Academy Director (Secondary) and Headteacher

The job description will be updated where appropriate in consultation with the post-holder.



Person Specification

Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Working with or caring for children of relevant age
Qualifications, knowledge and training requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good numeracy/literacy skills• Completion of DfES Teacher Assistant Induction Programme• Participate in development and training opportunities• To have attended basic TA training at a college of further education (e.g. NCFE level 1 Training) and be working towards NVQ2 or similar qualifications (e.g. CACHE level 2)• Sound Knowledge of the literacy / numeracy KS3 / Foundation Stage strategies and a good overview of Key Stage relevant curriculum• Sound knowledge of one or more areas of special need (depending on setting) and Code of Practice for SEN• Sound knowledge of the causes and patterns of poor behaviour and strategies to address these• Sound knowledge of how children learn and how to create and maximize learning opportunities.• To be able to work as part of a team and to have good inter-personal relationships• To be qualified to NVQ level 2 or working towards NVQ3• To have attended significant Inset relevant to job and – in the case of those working with particular SEN pupils – to have become skilled in dealing with particular areas of special need through attending LEA and other providers of specialist training• Desirable to have completed (depending on job / setting) CACHE CPD SEN Level 2 or similar
Knowledge/skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appropriate knowledge of first aid• Use basic technology – computer, video, and photocopier• 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• To be aware of all school policies and procedures• To have some knowledge of NC requirements, especially literacy, numeracy and PSHE (e.g. ELS/ ALS/ FLS/ LPU/ Springboard)• Effective use of ICT to support learning• Understanding of relevant policies/codes of practice and awareness of relevant legislation• General understanding of national/foundation stage curriculum and other basic learning programmes/strategies• Basic understanding of child development and learning• Ability to self-evaluate learning needs and actively seek learning opportunities