





**Welcome from the CEO**

Academic Year 2021 /2022

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for taking an interest in the Teaching Assistant vacancy based at Millbridge, A SHARE Primary Academy. I hope the materials enclosed in this pack give you a good sense of what makes the Trust a special place to work and provides the information you need about the post. It is with regret that in the current climate we cannot offer you a visit to our academies but please do not hesitate to contact us if you need additional advice.

Our belief in “Valuing People, Supporting Personal Best” means we are committed to investing in our staff, to help them be happy at work, to provide the support they need to achieve the highest standards they are capable of and to offer the training or guidance they need to undertake their jobs effectively. For example, everybody is encouraged to use a personal development plan, to set their own objectives and to take responsibility for their own improvement priorities. We define effective leadership as “helping others to achieve their best” and that is what your line manager will try to do for you.

It is important to read the information provided carefully. We want you to be happy in the role you are applying for and committed to performing the job to the best of your ability.

I very much hope you are encouraged to apply for the position and look forward to meeting you soon.

Yours faithfully,



**John McNally**

CEO

SHARE Multi-Academy Trust is a charitable trust currently consisting of three secondary and five primary academies in West Yorkshire. Our academies are: Shelley College, Huddersfield; Royds Hall Academy, Huddersfield; Thornhill Community Academy, Dewsbury; Heaton Avenue Primary Academy, Cleckheaton; Millbridge Primary Academy, Liversedge; Woodside Green Primary Academy, Cowlersley; Lily Park Primary Academy, Huddersfield and Luck Lane Primary Academy, Huddersfield.

We believe in helping staff and students achieve their personal best and are keen to recruit the very best talent to our Trust.  As well as being part of the Trust, some of our schools are National Support Schools and National Teaching Schools and as such, we can offer our staff a wealth of career development opportunities and the support you need to enjoy your role.

More than six hundred people work hard across the Trust to ensure we provide the very best education and service across all our schools, from invigilators joining us for a few hours a year, through flexible part-time work to many full-time teaching and support roles.

At SHARE MAT, we aim to:-

* Encourage all our students/pupils to go beyond what they think they can achieve, to enjoy learning, helping them to lead healthy and happy lives;
* Equip our staff to deliver their best every day, our belief is that by Valuing People, Supporting Personal Best is the key;
* Ensure our staff are happy at work, taking pride in students/pupils progress and development;
* Deliver training and guidance relevant to job role so expectations are understood and staff feel motivated;
* Offer great benefits making us the employer of choice, including outstanding CPD, supportive line management and networking opportunities across the MAT to aid personal development.

If you share our passion for challenging, improving and making our schools the best they can be, we’d love to hear from you.

**Information about Millbridge, A SHARE Primary Academy**



We are part of the SHARE Multi-academy trust. This means we can offer the successful candidate access to a fantastic support network, CPD and opportunities to develop practice across the trust.

We are a school which has an innovative curriculum that allows staff the flexibility to create an inspiring, exciting learning journey for all our pupils/students enabling them todevelop into active citizens of the future, empowered to make their best contribution to society.

The Curriculum is developed in a thematic and practical way that engages both our employees and children/young people. We seek ways to make our curriculum even more interesting every year. Lessons are expected to be fascinating, engaging, exhilarating, and demand that pupils/students think for themselves whilst ensuring pupils/students see a purpose to their work. A wide range of learning styles are used ensuring personalised learning is at the heart of what we do.

The teams include teachers and support staff, all of whom work together to deliver the agreed curriculum to all the children/young people. Together they assess pupils/student progress and achievement discussing to ensure each learner’s self -confidence and self -esteem rise quickly, developing their thirst for learning

We can offer a strong team spirit and very high staff morale, which has created an open and supportive environment where staff can be innovative in accelerating pupils/students learning.



**Teaching Assistant Role Profile**

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| ­Role Title | Teaching Assistant  | ***Reporting to*** | Assistant Headteacher |
| ***Section*** | Primary School  |  |  |
| ***Contract type*** | Permanent | ***Band*** | Band C, SCP 5-6 |
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# Part A – JOB DESCRIPTION

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| ***Overall purpose of role*** | Assisting the teacher in the overall delivery of the Curriculum, undertaking work/care/support programmes in order to enable access to learning for all pupils and the teacher in the management of pupils in the classroom.Supervising pupils outside of lesson time, including working as a team to provide robust lunchtime supervision. |
| ***Safeguarding Requirements*** | This post requires the post holder to work in settings with children. Any employment offer is therefore subject to the results of an Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). People who have contact with younger children (i.e. primary school age) are also required to complete a declaration about family or other members of their household.Committed to the safeguarding and promotion of the welfare of young people and to demonstrate this commitment in every aspect of this post |

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| ***Key Outputs*** |
| 1. To undertake duties in accordance with school practices and procedures, ensuring the post holder actively upholds and promotes the philosophies of the school.
2. Under the guidance of the teacher, supervise activities and assist with the general management and control of pupils across all key stages as required and during the school day including lunchtime.
3. Under the guidance of the teacher, support within a key stage, to deliver either one to one work or to small groups, preparing resources and feeding back to teaching personnel;
4. To participate in and assist in supervision of educational visits, in conjunction with the teacher/line manager.
5. To promote good pupil behaviour, dealing promptly with conduct and incidents in line with established policy and encourage pupils to take responsibility of their own behaviour.
6. To undertake relevant training and development as required from time to time by the Headteacher or Governors, and be involved in ongoing development reviews of skills and competencies.
7. To attend and contribute towards the daily departmental briefing and other meetings as required.
8. To actively encourage the inclusion of all pupils to participate in the life and activities of the school and access the national curriculum to the best of their ability.
9. To provide individual assistance or assistance within groups through Pastoral Support, EHC plans, SEN support and teaching strategies etc, to maximise their achievements.
10. To provide information via CPOM’s of incidents or occurrences to teachers & senior staff.
11. To work flexibly across key stages as required alongside the teacher to monitor and assess pupil progress towards achievement of SEN targets as identified in MSP or ANP.
12. To act as a key person with an overview of the care needs of specific pupils. This would include acting under the direction of the SENDCo to coordinate the medical and personal care needs of the pupil.
13. Under the direction of the teacher, assist in the delivery of the structured and agreed learning activities/teaching programmes.
14. Carry out your duties with due regard to current and future school policies, procedures and relevant legislation.
15. Have an understanding of the importance of lesson planning, contribute to lesson planning and learning objectives to develop learning.
16. Contribute to and uphold the vision and ethos of the academy;
17. Recognise own strengths and areas of expertise and use these to advise and support others;
18. Promote team work within the team, working in partnership to ensure effective working relations;
19. Treat all users of the academy with courtesy and consideration;
20. Be aware and comply with all academy policies at all times. As part of your wider duties and responsibilities you are required to promote and actively support the schools responsibilities towards safeguarding. Safeguarding is about keeping people safe and protecting people from harm, neglect, abuse and injury and creating safe places, being vigilant and responding to concerns.

The duties and responsibilities highlighted in this job specification are indicative and may vary over time. Postholders are expected to undertake other duties and responsibilities relevant to the nature, level and scope of the post and the grade has been established on this basis |

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| ***Dimensions*** *(Financial/Statistical/Mandates/Constraints/No. of direct reports)* |
| * Range of Teachers and Support Staff approximately 60 across the whole school.
* Range of pupils approximately 350. Number of SEN students varies with each new intake.
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| ***Work/Business contacts*** |
| **Internal:** All teachers and support staff including liaising with other MAT staff as required; |
| **External:** Parents/Carers, Agencies. |

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| ***Expertise in Role Required (At selection - Level 1)*** | **Essential or****Desirable** |
| * Maths and English to GCSE Grade C or equivalent
 | Essential |
| * NVQ 3 for Teaching Assistants or equivalent qualifications or experience
 | Desirable |
| * Experience of working with children/young people
 | Essential  |
| * Experience of working with children who have SEN / EAL
 | Desirable |
| 1. Ability to engage and influence others
 | Essential |
| 1. Experience of working across departments and with external organisations
 | Essential |
| 1. Excellent interpersonal skills
 | Essential |
| 1. Understanding of behaviour management
 | Essential |
| 1. Commitment to the safeguarding of young people
 | Essential |
| 1. Ability to deal with the personal care and comfort, and necessary treatments with students, i.e. toileting and intimate care issues
 | Essential |
| 1. Ability to assist the teacher in planning class activities
 | Desirable |
| 1. Ability to use ICT to support learning
 | Desirable |
| ***Other (Physical, mobility, local conditions)*** |
| 1. Is willing to work flexibly within scope of overall hours, e.g. evening meetings.
 | Essential |

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| ***Expertise in Role - After initial development - Level 2*** |
| * Ability to deal with students who require physical restraint and interventions, using such methods as Team Teach, under the direction of the Head of School
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| * Ability to assess individual students core skills and maintain appropriate records
* Working knowledge or understanding of relevant policies and codes of practice.
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| ***Expertise in Role (Advanced - Level 3)*** |
| * Trained in the relevant learning strategies e.g. literacy
* Achieved NVQ 3 for Teaching Assistants or equivalent qualifications or experience
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| Structure |
| Assistant Head **Teaching Assistants x 8** |

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| Signatures |
| Approved by : CEO  Signed by Post Holder  |

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To apply, please complete an application form on the TES website, which can be found on our career site here: <https://www.tes.com/jobs/employer/-1082675>

**Closing date: 22/09/2021**

