

## The SEND Team at Durrington High School

We are a committed and friendly team who want to help all of our students succeed. The Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND) team are led by Kate Blight (SENDCO), Kathy Hughes (SEND assessment and intervention leader) and Wendy Lovett (Deputy SENDCO).

We currently have a HLTA in mathematics and a large team of Teaching Assistants (TAs). We also have other specialist staff who support students in other settings with their social, emotional and behavioural needs. Predominantly the work of our Teaching Assistants (TA) is within class, under the direction of the teacher. We moved to a subject system many years ago so TAs are usually working with one, two or three subjects (depending on size and need) enabling close working relationships and the opportunity to develop subject knowledge. We believe in investing in staff and there is a programme of CPD for TAs. Also, by being linked with departments it enables knowledge to build and you have lots of opportunities to engage with our Research School.

We are keen to recruit someone who genuinely likes young people, is keen to develop and wants to be part of a great team who are committed to making a difference. You may wish to start a career working in schools with an ambition of progressing further within our school, move from being a primary TA to secondary or are from a different setting but with relevant experiences. Many of our TAs go on to train as teachers with The South Downs SCITT based at Durrington High School. Some of our TAs who wish to, have become class tutors.

We look forward to receiving your application.

**Kate Blight**  
**SENDCO**