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**Role Profile**

**Learning Support Assistant**

Learning Support Assistants are responsible to the SENDCO for:

* Assisting students following a programme of support clearly defined by the SENDCO, and working alongside teaching and other appropriate staff (dependent on the nature of the needs of the child or children)
* Working collaboratively with teachers and other staff as an integral part of the teaching team
* Assisting students with learning difficulties using a variety of resources, which may involve support with reading, writing, spelling and computer-based learning under the direction of appropriate teaching staff
* Supporting students to develop fully alongside their peer group using a clearly defined programme as directed by the SENDCO
* Regularly updating the SENDCO on progress made by students or difficulties faced by individuals
* Becoming familiar with the differing learning needs and teaching strategies for students with ADHD, Autism, Specific Learning Difficulties, General Learning Difficulties and other learning problems which might become apparent
* Supporting students with additional needs which may include sensory impairment or be medical in nature. Duties and advice will be clearly outlined, but may include PE supervisions (help with dressing / undressing)
* Supporting students with emotional and behaviour difficulties within the classroom under the direction of the SENDCO/teaching staff
* Undertaking appropriate training to enhance skills or knowledge
* Collating student information for annual reviews
* Assisting teaching staff in setting appropriate targets based on objectives set in Individual Education Plans
* Supplementing the work of outside agencies such as speech therapists, educational psychologists and members of the specialist learning team