# **Teaching Assistant**



## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Salary / Grade range	Grade 4, point 7 - 11 - £26,403 - £28,142		
	Actual Pro-rata salary - £21,089.20		
	32.5 hours per week term time only + 5 training days.		
	There will be some requirement to work during parents evening		
	and opening evening		
Relationships	Ultimate Responsibility		
	To the Governors through the Headteacher		
	Immediate Responsibility		
	Head of Inclusion and Deputy Headteacher		
Main contacts	All members of the teaching and non-teaching staff, pupils and		
	external agencies		

#### Main purpose of the job

To work with teaching staff to provide support to specified pupils, particularly those defined as 'barrier free' and those on the SEND register

To support the Roman Catholic character of the school, to establish good relationships with pupils and staff and to co-operate with the senior staff responsible for the school

#### Main tasks

#### **Administrative**

- To be responsible for any necessary documentation relating to individual pupils, including one page profiles being completed in a timely manner
- To liaise with teaching staff to help young people reach their targets

#### **Support Role**

- Have responsibility for personal and pastoral support for pupils developing good attitudes
- To develop a good, positive relationships with young people in order to remove barriers to learning and to encourage progress
- To engage constructively with young people and to relate to them and to their needs
- To encourage young people to develop their skills and to help them to identify problems and to find solutions
- To work closely with teaching staff to provide additional support for target pupils through preparation of materials and monitoring of pupil work
- To plan, deliver and review targeted interventions
- To meet with and work with parents as required
- To monitor the work and progress of young people
- To report as required on the development of young people being supported

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- To work with teaching staff to support the development of personalised teaching and learning strategies for target pupils
- To provide general supervision around the school as part of the staff team
- To have good knowledge of the four areas of need within SEND, the different needs within these areas, and different strategies to support

## **Professional Responsibilities**

- To attend meetings with teachers and other professionals as required to report on the progress of pupils
- To be familiar with child protection issues and other welfare issues which affect children
- To take responsibility for one's own personal development and take part in in-service training as required
- To network with other Learning Support Assistants and to share good practice
- To attend CPD and other Inclusion meetings, as required

## **Equal opportunities Policy**

Promote equal opportunities in all aspects of responsibility according to the school's aims and objectives. In addition to those duties and responsibilities outlined above, the contributions of each member of staff to the work of the school will include the following:

- to play a positive role in the spiritual life of the school community;
- to maintain a high standard of discipline, appearance, punctuality and commitment in all students;
- to promote parental and community involvement in the life and work of the school.

All job descriptions are subject to modification as the needs of the school change and/or circumstances demand. Following consultation between the headteacher and the member of staff concerned, reasonable changes may be made.

This job description should be read in conjunction with the statutory conditions of the latest *School Green book for support staff Pay and Conditions Document.* 





## **PERSON SPECIFICATION**

### 1. Training, Qualifications, Experience:

1.1	experience of working in a teaching and learning environment	D	Application Form
1.2	to have recent experience of professional development and self-awareness of professional needs	E	Application Form
1.3	to have experience or trained phonics	D	Application Form
1.4	to have recognised degree qualifications or experience appropriate to this level of work	D	Application Form

## 2. Interpersonal Skills:

2.1	good communication skills to suit a range of	E	Interview
	audiences and contexts		
2.2	establishing and maintaining good relationships, in	E	Interview
	particular with students, parents and colleagues		

### 3. Management and Organisation:

3.1	Being organised and efficient to support positive	Е	Application
	pupil outcomes both within and outside of the		Form/Interview
	classroom		
3.2	being adaptable to new demands of the job	E	Application
			Form/Interview
3.3	being well organised in administration	E	Application
			Form/Interview
3.4	working as part of a team	E	Application
			Form/Interview

### 4. Special Knowledge:

4.	1 how to support pupils with special	D	Application
	needs under the supervision of a		Form/Interview
	teacher so that they make good		
	progress		
4.	2 the need to be responsible for	D	Application
	assessing pupil progress on a daily /		Form/Interview
	weekly basis		
4.	3 how to work independently, with	D	Application
	guidance from teaching and other		Form/Interview
	staff as required, in class and away		
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4.4	the need to be responsible for	D	Application Form/Interview
	planning, delivering and reviewing		
	interventions for individuals and		
	groups of pupils		

#### 5. Work Related Circumstances

Commitment to:

5.1	the school's Equal	E	Application Form/Interview
	Opportunities Policy		

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