



Job Outline

Specialist Learning Support Assistant

Responsible to:	SENDCo
Salary Grade:	Scale 3, Points 5-6
Part time:	27.5 hours per week (Monday to Friday), 38 working weeks (term time only)
Term of Contract:	Permanent

Job Purpose

To provide 1:1 support for specific pupils with special educational needs who have an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP).

Safeguarding Responsibilities

- Demonstrate a commitment to keeping children and young people safe
- Report any disclosure made to you to the appropriate person
- Report any safeguarding concerns in the workplace to the appropriate person
- Maintain an awareness of the Trust policies in relation to safeguarding

The Sigma Trust is committed to safeguarding and protecting the children and young people that we work with. As such, all posts are subject to safer recruitment process, including the disclosure of criminal records and vetting checks. We ensure that we have a range of policies in place which promote safeguarding and safer working practice across our schools.

Key Responsibilities

- Provide support for a named pupil with an Educational Health Care Plan. The LSA will ensure that this pupil is fully integrated into all aspects of school life and is making strong progress.
- Be responsible for implementing the targets on the Pupil's One Plan and EHCP outcomes in liaison with the SENCO
- Take an active role in the preparation, maintenance and control of stocks of materials and resources
- Working with pupils under the direction of teaching staff.
- Understand specific learning needs and styles and provide differentiated support to pupils individually and within a group
- Implement planned learning activities/teaching programmes as agreed with the teacher, adjusting activities according to pupils' responses as appropriate
- Establish positive a relationship with pupils supported
- Provide feedback to pupils in relation to attainment and progress under the guidance of the teacher
- Support pupils with activities which support literacy and numeracy skills
- Support the use of ICT in the classroom and develop pupils' competence and independence in its use
- To be involved in planning, organising and implementing EHC plans, including attendance at, and contribution to, reviews

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- Promote the inclusion and acceptance of children with special needs within the classroom ensuring access to lessons and their content through appropriate clarification, explanation and resources
- Promote positive pupil behaviour in line with school policies and help keep pupils on task
- Participate in planning and evaluation of learning activities with the teacher, writing reports and records as required
- Monitor and record pupil responses and learning achievements, drawing any problems which cannot be resolved easily to the attention of the teacher
- Support learning by selecting appropriate resources/methods to facilitate agreed learning activities
- Attend to pupils' personal needs including help with social, welfare and health matters, including minor first aid
- Liaise with staff and other relevant professionals and provide information about pupils as appropriate
- To assist with the display and presentation of pupils' work
- To supervise pupils for limited and specified periods including break-times when the postholder should facilitate games and activities
- To understand and apply school policies in relation to health, safety and welfare
- Attend relevant training and take responsibility for own development
- Attend relevant school meetings as required
- To respect confidentiality at all times

General

- Comply with individual responsibilities, in accordance with the role, for health & safety in the workplace
- Ensure all duties and services provided are in accordance with the trust's Equal Opportunities Policy
- The Trustees and Local Governing Committee are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment
- Participate in the performance and development review process, taking personal responsibility for identification of learning, development and training opportunities in discussion with line manager

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, each individual task needing to be undertaken may not be identified.

The postholder will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from a manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified within this job description.

This job description may be amended at any time following discussion with the Headteacher and/or CEO, and will be reviewed annually.

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