



## JOB DESCRIPTION

<b>Post Title:</b>	<b>Teaching Assistant Grade 2</b>
<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Grade:</b>	Grade 2 (SCP 5-6)
<b>Reporting to:</b>	Headteacher / SENCo / Class Teacher
<b>Conditions of Service:</b>	Full Time. Fixed term. Term time only. To include 5 training days.

### MAIN PURPOSES OF THE JOB

- To support the classroom teacher with their responsibility for the development and education of children, including those with special physical, emotional and educational needs, by utilising detailed knowledge and specialist skills.
- To work under the guidance of teaching/senior staff, to implement agreed work programmes with individuals/groups, in or out of the classroom. This could include those requiring detailed and specialist knowledge in particular areas and will involve assisting the teacher in the management/preparation of resources.
- To undertake "Cover Supervision", i.e. supervise whole classes during the short-term absence of teachers, as required. The primary focus whilst undertaking cover duties will be to maintain good order and to keep pupils on task. Cover Supervisors will need to respond to questions and generally assist pupils to undertake set activities.

### MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES AND TASKS

Under the direction of the classroom teacher the Teaching Assistant may be required to provide:

### SUPPORT FOR PUPILS

- Use specialist (curricular/learning/behavioural management) skills/training/ experience to support pupils.
- Assist with the development and implementation of IPMs where appropriate.
- Establish productive working relationships with pupils, acting as a role model and setting high expectations.
- Promote the inclusion and acceptance of all pupils within the classroom.
- Support pupils consistently whilst recognising and responding to their individual needs.
- Encourage pupils to interact and work co-operatively with others and engage all pupils in activities.
- Promote independence and employ strategies to recognise and reward achievement of self-reliance.
- Provide feedback to pupils in relation to progress and achievement.

### SUPPORT FOR THE TEACHER

- Work with the teacher to establish an appropriate learning environment.
- Work with the teacher in lesson planning, evaluating and adjusting lessons/work plans as appropriate.
- Monitor and evaluate pupils' responses to learning activities through observation and planned recording of achievement against pre-determined learning objectives.
- Provide objective and accurate feedback and reports as required, to the teacher on pupil achievement, progress and other matters, ensuring the availability of appropriate evidence.

- Be responsible for keeping and updating records as agreed with the teacher, contributing to reviews of systems/records as requested.
- Undertake marking of pupils' work and accurately record achievement/progress if required and in line with the marking policy.
- Promote positive values, attitudes and good pupil behaviour, dealing promptly with conflict and incidents in line with established policy and encourage pupils to take responsibility for their own behaviour.
- Liaise sensitively and effectively with parents/carers as agreed with the teacher within your role/responsibility and participate in feedback sessions/meetings with parents with, or as directed.
- Administer and assess routine tests and invigilate exams/tests if required.
- Provide general clerical/admin support, e.g. administer coursework, produce worksheets for agreed activities, etc.

### **SUPPORT FOR THE CURRICULUM**

- Implement agreed learning activities/teaching programmes, adjusting activities according to pupil responses/needs.
- Implement local and national learning strategies, e.g. English, Maths, Key Stage 1/ 2, Early Years and make effective use of opportunities provided by other learning activities to support the development of relevant skills.
- Support the use of ICT in learning activities and develop pupils' competence and independence in its use.
- Help pupils to access learning activities through specialist support.
- Determine the need for, prepare and maintain general and specialist equipment and resources.

### **SUPPORT FOR THE SCHOOL**

- Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to an appropriate person.
- Be aware of and support difference and ensure all pupils have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop.
- Contribute to the overall ethos/work/aims of the school.
- Establish constructive relationships and communicate with other agencies/professionals, in liaison with the teacher, to support achievement and progress of pupils.
- Attend and participate in regular meetings.
- Participate in training and other learning activities as required.
- Recognise own strengths and areas of expertise and use these to advise and support others.
- Provide appropriate guidance and supervision and assist in the training and development of staff as appropriate.
- Undertake planned supervision of pupils' out of school hours learning activities.
- Supervise pupils on visits, trips and out of school activities as required.

### **OTHER DUTIES**

- To contribute to the positive team atmosphere and public image of the school.
- To act professionally and with integrity at all times.
- To assist with the general care and welfare of all pupils striving to maintain a happy safe environment at all times.
- To adhere to and maintain school routines and codes of conduct including confidentiality.
- To support the aims and ethos of the school at all times.

- To maintain personal and professional development to meet the changing demands of the job, participate in appropriate training activities and encourage and support staff in their development and training.
- To undertake such other duties, training and/or hours of work as may be reasonably required and which are consistent with the general level of responsibility of this job.
- To undertake health and safety duties commensurate with the post and/or as detailed in the school Health and Safety Policy.

## **GENERAL**

- The job description allocates duties and responsibilities. It does not direct the particular amount of time to be spent in carrying them out and no part of it may be so construed. In allocating time to the performance of duties and responsibilities, the post holder will have regard to the needs and priorities of the school.
- The job description is not a comprehensive definition of the post and you may be required to undertake such other tasks appropriate to the level of appointment as the Headteacher may reasonably require. It may be reviewed annually or earlier if necessary and may be subject to modification or amendment at any time after consultation. You may discuss your job description with the Headteacher at any arranged time.
- The DoWMAT has an Equal Opportunities and a No Smoking Policy. All employees are expected to be committed to these. All DoWMAT academies are non-smoking environments throughout.
- The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and, as such, requires all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.
- The duties described in this job description must be carried out in a manner which promotes equality of opportunity, dignity and due respect for all employees and service users and is consistent with the School's Equal Opportunities Policy.

## **QUALIFICATIONS, KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS REQUIRED**

- Excellent numeracy / literacy skills.
- Effective use of specialist ICT packages.
- Use of specialist equipment and resources.
- Full working knowledge of relevant policies / codes of practice / legislation.
- Ability to plan and develop systems.
- Ability to relate well to children and adults.
- Able to work constructively as part of a team, understanding school roles and responsibilities and own position within these.

*DoWMAT is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. We expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any offer of employment will be subject to the receipt of a satisfactory DBS Enhanced Disclosure, two positive references, medical clearance and evidence of appropriate qualifications.*

## **PRINCIPAL CONTACTS**

Pupils, Parents / Carers, Headteacher, Classroom Teachers, Teaching / Support Assistants, EWO, Clerical Assistants, other professional groups, Local Academy Board members.

## **NOTES**

The Leadership of the Academy Trust reserve the right to alter the content of this job description, after consultation, to reflect changes to the job without altering the level or responsibility.

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