

Assistant Headteacher—SENDCO

Leadership Scale 8-12 (Inner London)



Do you have strong SEND expertise and the vision, confidence and interpersonal skills required to be an effective senior leader? Do you want to make a difference by shaping provision for pupils with SEND? We are a strong, experienced and passionate leadership team, committed to driving improvement. We are looking for an exceptional leader to join our Senior Leadership Team as Assistant Headteacher (SENDCO) and help make Crown Lane Primary an outstanding provider of inclusive education in Lambeth.

Crown Lane Primary is a vibrant, diverse community school on the Streatham Norwood border. We are a small, one form entry school with a growing Autism Resource Base and a supportive staff and leadership team who are committed to ensuring the best opportunities and outcomes for our children. We are part of the WCL Federation with Woodmansterne School and Sixth Form in Streatham.

Crown Lane Autism Resource Base is an integral part of the whole school, supporting children with a diagnosis of autism and an EHCP. As Assistant Headteacher (SENDCO), you will lead SEND provision, ensuring statutory requirements are met while maintaining a relentless focus on positive outcomes for pupils and families. You will work closely with the Head of School and other leaders to shape the school's strategic direction, promote a culture of high expectations, collaboration and professional growth.

We are looking for an exceptional Assistant Headteacher (SENDCO) with:

- extensive experience of working with children with SEND;
- an excellent understanding of the SEN Code of Practice and a commitment to inclusion in a mainstream setting;
- the ability to deliver the school's vision, ethos, priorities and targets;
- the drive and personal qualities to work effectively with all members of the school community and outside agencies;
- middle or senior leadership experience;
- the ability to prioritise, manage workload and meet deadlines in a demanding environment;
- strong interpersonal skills and the ability and desire to build positive relationships;
- a can-do, positive attitude;
- a commitment to the school's inclusive ethos and kindness;
- the resilience to manage change, pressure and remain stay calm.

We welcome applications from established SENDCOs looking to move into a leadership post, as well as aspiring SENDCOs, who meet the requirements for the SENDCO national qualification.

Closing date: Tuesday 24th February, 9am

Interviews: Thursday 26th February 2026

To start: September 2026

Please email your application to: recruitment@crownlaneschool.co.uk

We reserve the right to interview before the closing date.

You can find out more about our school and the post by visiting our website www.crownlane.lambeth.sch.uk where you can find additional, essential information in the applicant pack. Please email your application to: recruitment@crownlaneschool.co.uk

Crown Lane School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers or external agencies to share this commitment. Successful candidates will be asked to apply for an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. Further information can be found at www.gov.uk

Crown Lane School is an equal opportunities employer and particularly encourages applications from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic candidates, as these groups are underrepresented throughout education nationally.