

Class Teacher - Job Description



Responsible to: Head teacher

Key Purpose:

- Be responsible for the learning and achievement of all pupils in class ensuring equality of opportunity for all
- Be responsible and accountable for achieving the highest possible standards in work and conduct
- Treat pupils with dignity, building relationships rooted in mutual respect, and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher's professional position
- Work proactively and effectively in collaboration and partnership with learners, parents/carers, governors, other staff and external agencies in the best interests of pupils
- Act within, the statutory frameworks, which set out their professional duties and responsibilities and in line with the duties outlined in the current School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document and Teacher Standards
- Take responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school

Main Activities:

Teaching

- Deliver the curriculum as relevant to the age and ability group/subject/s that you teach
- Be responsible for the preparation and development of teaching materials, teaching programmes and pastoral arrangements as appropriate
- Be accountable for the attainment, progress and outcomes of pupils' you teach
- Be aware of pupils' capabilities, their prior knowledge and plan teaching and differentiate appropriately to build on these, demonstrating knowledge and understanding of how pupils learn
- Have a clear understanding of the needs of all pupils, including those with special educational needs; gifted and talented; EAL; disabilities; and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approaches to engage and support them
- Demonstrate an understanding of and take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy including the correct use of spoken English and written English (whatever your specialist subject)
- If teaching early reading, demonstrate a clear understanding of appropriate teaching strategies e.g. systematic synthetic phonics
- Use an appropriate range of observation, assessment, monitoring and recording strategies
 as a basis for setting challenging learning objectives for pupils of all backgrounds, abilities
 and dispositions, monitoring learners' progress and levels of attainment
- Make accurate and productive use of assessment to secure pupils' progress
- Give pupils regular feedback, both orally and through accurate marking, and encourage pupils to respond to the feedback, reflect on progress, their emerging needs and to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study
- Use relevant data to monitor progress, set targets, and plan subsequent lessons
- Set homework and plan other out-of-class activities to consolidate and extend the knowledge and understanding pupils have acquired as appropriate

 Participate in arrangements for examinations and assessments within the remit of the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document

Behaviour and Safety

- Establish a safe, purposeful and stimulating environment for pupils, rooted in mutual respect
 and establish a framework for discipline with a range of strategies, using praise, sanctions
 and rewards consistently and fairly
- Manage classes effectively, using approaches which are appropriate to pupils' needs in order to inspire, motivate and challenge pupils
- Maintain good relationships with pupils, exercise appropriate authority, and act decisively when necessary
- Be a positive role model and demonstrate consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour, which are expected of pupils
- Have high expectations of behaviour, promoting self-control and independence of all learners
- Carry out playground and other duties as directed and within the remit of the current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document
- Be responsible for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school, raising any concerns following school protocol/procedures

Team working and collaboration

- Participate in any relevant meetings/professional development opportunities at the school, which relate to the learners, curriculum or organisation of the school including pastoral arrangements and assemblies
- Work as a team member and identify opportunities for working with colleagues and sharing the development of effective practice with them
- Contribute to the selection and professional development of other teachers and support staff including the induction and assessment of new teachers, teachers serving induction periods and where appropriate threshold assessments
- Ensure that colleagues working with you are appropriately involved in supporting learning and understand the roles they are expected to fulfil
- Take part as required in the review, development and management of the activities relating to the curriculum, organisation and pastoral functions of the school
- Cover for absent colleagues within the remit of the current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions document

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities

- Work collaboratively with others to develop effective professional relationships
- Deploy support staff effectively as appropriate
- Communicate effectively with parents/carers with regard to pupils' achievements and wellbeing using school systems/processes as appropriate
- Communicate and co-operate with relevant external bodies
- Make a positive contribution to the wider life and ethos of the school Administration
- Register the attendance of and supervise learners, before, during or after school sessions as appropriate
- Participate in and carry out any administrative and organisational tasks within the remit of the current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document Professional development
- Regularly review the effectiveness of your teaching and assessment procedures and its impact on pupils' progress, attainment and wellbeing, refining your approaches where necessary responding to advice and feedback from colleagues

- Be responsible for improving your teaching through participating fully in training and development opportunities identified by the school or as developed as an outcome of your appraisal
- Proactively participate with arrangements made in accordance with the Appraisal Regulations 2012

Other

- To have professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school in which you teach, and maintain high standards in your own attendance and punctuality
- To ensure professional behaviour at all times in regard to the schools Code of Conduct and Keeping Children Safe in Education.
- Perform any reasonable duties as requested by the Head Teacher.

Conditions of Employment

- The above responsibilities are subject to the general duties and responsibilities contained in the written statement of conditions of employment
- To be subject to all relevant statutory requirements as detailed in the most recent School Teachers' Pay and Conditions
- Attention is also drawn to the requirements for planning, preparation and assessment time under which all teachers at a school with timetables teaching commitments have a contractual entitlement to guaranteed PPA time within the timetabled teaching day
- Any other duties as directed by the Head teacher

The School reserves the right to alter the content of this Job Description, after consultation, to reflect changes to the job or services provided, without altering the general character or level of responsibility.

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 and Code of Conduct.

Person Specification

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications and experience	Qualified teacher status Successful primary teaching experience	Recent and relevant teaching experience in Key Stage 1 Recent and relevant experience in leading a Foundation subject
Skills and knowledge	Knowledge of the National Curriculum Knowledge of effective teaching and learning strategies A good understanding of how children learn Ability to adapt teaching to meet pupils' needs Ability to build effective working relationships with pupils Knowledge of guidance and requirements around safeguarding children Knowledge of effective behaviour management strategies	Evidence of continuous professional development and commitment to further professional development Assessment and its implications for whole school assessment and measurement of pupil progress
Personal qualities	A commitment to getting the best outcomes for all pupils and promoting the ethos and values of the school High expectations for children's attainment and progress Ability to work under pressure and prioritise effectively Commitment to maintaining confidentiality at all times Commitment to safeguarding and equality	
	Approachable, Committed, Empathetic, Enthusiastic, Organised, Patient, Resourceful, Team Player	