



Class Teacher

Newington Green Primary School/

Closing date: Midnight 16th April 2023. Job reference: NG/1333



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Welcome letter from Executive Headteacher

Dear Applicant,

I am delighted that you are interested in joining the team here at Newington Green!

We are looking for a Class Teacher, ideally in KS2. Please put your year group preferences on your application. We are open to a teacher at all pay levels applying, including upper pay scale, as we wish to have a balance of experience levels amongst the staff.

This pack provides some more detailed information and will hopefully give you a good insight into our ethos. Our school is happy, and dynamic with high expectations of our pupils. We serve a diverse, inner London community and work with a wide range of partners.

We need teachers who will thrive on a challenge, enjoy working as a team and who will not be scared of trying new ways of doing things. **To work in our school, you will need to be passionate about improving the life chances of pupils and their families. For our children, an excellent education will make a defining difference in their lives- and it essential that we recruit staff who share our commitment.**

You will find our school to have a friendly and committed staff who really believe in our children and their ability to positively affect children's lives. You can expect from us a school committed to your professional learning, and a supportive leadership team.

I would love you to visit us and get a sense of what our school is all about. Please call either office and make an appointment. I am also happy to discuss applications over the telephone.

Yours sincerely,

Abi Misselbrook-Lovejoy
Executive Headteacher



Information about Newington Green Primary School

Why does Janet work here?- Both Newington Green and Rotherfield staff member



As part of the Subject Specialist Team, I teach Spanish from Reception to Year 6 across the partnership. Teaching every child in two schools every week requires a lot of energy and meticulous organisation, but I love the variety this model offers, delivering my subject across the age range, adapting language and activities to each cognitive stage. As a subject specialist, I'm expected to design and deliver a creative curriculum which complements and enriches that of each main school. I'm supported in this by research-led teaching and learning CPD and we're encouraged to challenge our thinking and practice. The buildings and outside spaces in each school have very distinct architectural styles but both have been modernised to create great spaces in which to teach and learn. When I started the role, I was struck by the children's growth mindset. I love working with such enthusiastic learners. They amaze me every day!

Newington Green Primary School www.newingtongreen.co.uk

Newington Green is a vibrant, two form entry school, with Nursery and two-year-old provision, serving a diverse community in Islington. The majority of pupils are of minority ethnic origin with Turkish, Somali and Bengali being the largest ethnic groups in the school. The school has approximately 40% free school meals entitlement and over 25 languages spoken as first languages in the homes of its pupils.

We were rated good at our last inspection (March 2017) and are working hard to continuously improve.

The school had a multimillion-pound refurbishment to the main, and 2 subsidiary buildings. The quality of the learning and working environment is now exceptional. Classrooms have bespoke storage, we have a cookery suite, performance hall, gym hall, dining hall, art studio, Spanish Studio, Music Studio, Parent hub, conference suite and group rooms for each year group. All of our playgrounds have also been redeveloped and the quality of the spaces is fantastic for learning and playing.

We have a large kitchen onsite, with an additional room that has cooking facilities for staff and children. We have growing beds for vegetables and want to further develop our food provision.



On our website you will find many of our school policies. In particular the Learning Policy, Behaviour Policy and Marking and Feedback Policy will help give you an idea of how we work and our expectations here.

In 2016 we began a partnership with Rotherfield Primary School, and are due to Federate in July 2022. In this partnership we share staff and resources with the aim of securing the best provision for our pupils. We have the following shared staff across both schools: Home School Worker, Premises Manager, Clubs Manager, Art Specialist, Spanish Specialist, Business Manager, Executive Head and a Computing Specialist.

We run wrap around care from 7.30am to 7.00 pm and have a range of enrichment clubs for pupils to attend.

We work closely in partnership with 24 other Islington Schools through a collaborative network called Futurezone. We love working together to improve things for our children!

The very best way to find out if Newington Green is right for you is to come and visit us! This will give you a real sense of what it would be like to work here. Our Executive Headteacher or Head of School will always be delighted to show candidates around and talk informally about posts available.



Class Teacher

Required for September 2023

The Executive Headteacher and Governors at Newington Green Primary School are looking to appoint a Class Teacher for September 2023.

We are looking for Class Teachers, ideally in KS2. Please put your year group preferences on your application. We are **open to teachers at all pay levels applying, including upper pay scale, as we wish to have a balance of experience levels amongst the staff.**

The role of Class Teacher will have a major impact on the children's lives through delivering high quality teaching and learning. We are looking for someone who:

- Has recent successful teaching experience preferably across different phases and in at least one inner city multi-cultural school.
- Has proven experience of high standards of primary classroom practice
- Has respect for the views of parents and a commitment to the importance of the involvement of parents in the learning process.
- Shows evidence of a commitment to excellence and the maximising of academic and personal achievement for all pupils

In return we can offer you:

- Schools committed to your professional learning/development
- Schools at the heart of their communities
- Schools working in partnership to develop professional practice

Visits to the school are actively encouraged please contact the school office to arrange a time.

Salary: MPS, UPS depending on experience. Inner London.

Closing date: Midnight 16th April 2023. We reserve the right to appoint before the above dates should a suitable postholder be found. We therefore encourage early applications, so that we can organise selection activities. Applications will be checked on a regular basis.

Please apply online at www.islington.gov.uk/jobs. If you need any assistance, please contact Schools HR at schoolsrecruitment@islington.gov.uk quoting reference **NG/1333**.



Job Description

Job title	Class Teacher
Salary	£34,502- £44,756 (UPS £49,320- £53,482 depending on experience)

This job description should be read alongside the range of duties of teachers set out in the annual School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document.

Members of staff should at all times work within the framework provided by the school's policy statements to fulfil the general aims and objectives of the school's Education Development Plan.

MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

Relationships with children and young people

- Have high expectations of children and young people including a commitment to ensuring that they can achieve their full educational potential and to establishing fair, respectful, trusting, supportive and constructive relationships with them.
- Hold positive values and attitudes and adopt high standards of behaviour in their professional role.

Frameworks

- Maintain an up-to-date knowledge and understanding of the professional duties of teachers and the statutory framework within which they work, and contribute to the development, implementation and evaluation of the policies and practice of their workplace, including those designed to promote equality of opportunity.



Communicating and working with others

- Communicate effectively with children, young people and colleagues.
- Communicate effectively with parents and carers, conveying timely and relevant information about attainment, objectives, progress and well-being.
- Recognise that communication is a two-way process and encourage parents and carers to participate in discussions about the progress, development and well-being of children and young people.
- Recognise and respect the contributions that colleagues, parents and carers can make to the development and well-being of children and young people and raising their levels of attainment.
- Have a commitment to collaboration and co-operative working where appropriate.

Personal and professional development

- Evaluate their performance and be committed to improving their practice through appropriate professional development.
- Have a creative and constructively critical approach towards innovation; being prepared to adapt their practice where benefits and improvements are identified.
- Act upon advice and feedback and be open to coaching and mentoring.

Professional knowledge and understanding

Teaching and learning



- Have a good, up-to-date working knowledge and understanding of a range of teaching, learning and behaviour management strategies and know how to use and adapt them, including how to personalise learning to provide opportunities for all learners to achieve their potential.

Assessment and monitoring

- Know the assessment requirements and arrangements for the subjects/curriculum areas they teach, including those relating to public examinations and qualifications.
- Know a range of approaches to assessment, including the importance of formative assessment.
- Know how to use local and national statistical information to evaluate the effectiveness of their teaching, to monitor the progress of those they teach and to raise levels of attainment.
- Know how to use reports and other sources of external information related to assessment in order to provide learners with accurate and constructive feedback on their strengths, weaknesses, attainment, progress and areas for development, including action plans for improvement.

Subjects and curriculum

- Have a secure knowledge and understanding of their subjects/curriculum areas and related pedagogy including: the contribution that their subjects/curriculum areas can make to cross-curricular learning; and recent relevant developments.
- Know and understand the relevant statutory and non-statutory curricula and frameworks, including those provided through the National Strategies, for their subjects/curriculum areas and other relevant initiatives across the age and ability range they teach.

Literacy, numeracy and ICT

- Know how to use skills in literacy, numeracy and ICT to support their teaching and wider professional activities.



Achievement and Diversity

- Understand how children and young people develop and how the progress, rate of development and well-being of learners are affected by a range of developmental, social, religious, ethnic, cultural and linguistic influences.
- Know how to make effective personalised provision for those they teach, including those for whom English is an additional language or who have special educational needs or disabilities, and how to take practical account of diversity and promote equality and inclusion in their teaching.
- Understand the roles of colleagues such as those having specific responsibilities for learners with special educational needs, disabilities and other individual learning needs, and the contributions they can make to the learning, development and well-being of children and young people.
- Know when to draw on the expertise of colleagues, such as those with responsibility for the safeguarding of children and young people and special educational needs and disabilities, and to refer to sources of information, advice and support from external agencies.

Health and well-being

- Know the current legal requirements, national policies and guidance on the safeguarding and promotion of the well-being of children and young people.
- Know the local arrangements concerning the safeguarding of children and young people.
- Know how to identify potential child abuse or neglect and follow safeguarding procedures.
- Know how to identify and support children and young people whose progress, development or well-being is affected by changes or difficulties in their personal circumstances, and when to refer them to colleagues for specialist support.



Professional skills

Planning

- Plan for progression across the age and ability range they teach, designing effective learning sequences within lessons and across series of lessons informed by secure subject/curriculum knowledge.
- Design opportunities for learners to develop their literacy, numeracy, ICT and thinking and learning skills appropriate within their phase and context.
- Plan, set and assess homework, other out-of-class assignments and coursework for examinations, where appropriate, to sustain learners' progress and to extend and consolidate their learning.

Teaching

Teach challenging, well-organised lessons and sequences of lessons across the age and ability range they teach in which they:

- (a) use an appropriate range of teaching strategies and resources, including e-learning, which meet learners' needs and take practical account of diversity and promote equality and inclusion
- (b) build on the prior knowledge and attainment of those they teach in order that learners meet learning objectives and make sustained progress
- (c) develop concepts and processes which enable learners to apply new knowledge, understanding and skills
- (d) adapt their language to suit the learners they teach, introducing new ideas and concepts clearly, and using explanations, questions, discussions, and plenaries effectively



(e) manage the learning of individuals, groups, and whole classes effectively, modifying their teaching appropriately to suit the stage of the lesson and the needs of the learners.

- Teach engaging and motivating lessons informed by well-grounded expectations of learners and designed to raise levels of attainment.

Assessing, monitoring and giving feedback

- Make effective use of an appropriate range of observation, assessment, monitoring and recording strategies as a basis for setting challenging learning objectives and monitoring learners' progress and levels of attainment.
- Provide learners, colleagues, parents and carers with timely, accurate and constructive feedback on learners' attainment, progress and areas for development.
- Support and guide learners so that they can reflect on their learning, identify the progress they have made, set positive targets for improvement and become successful independent learners.
- Use assessment as part of their teaching to diagnose learners' needs, set realistic and challenging targets for improvement and plan future teaching.

Reviewing teaching and learning

- Review the effectiveness of their teaching and its impact on learners' progress, attainment and well-being, refining their approaches where necessary.
- Review the impact of the feedback provided to learners and guide learners on how to improve their attainment.

Learning environment

- (a) Establish a purposeful and safe learning environment which complies with current legal requirements, national policies and guidance on the safeguarding and well-being of children and



young people so that learners feel secure and sufficiently confident to make an active contribution to learning and to the school.

- (b) Make use of the local arrangements concerning the safeguarding of children and young people.
- (a) Identify and use opportunities to personalise and extend learning through out-of-school contexts where possible making links between in-school learning and learning in out-of-school contexts.
- (b) Manage learners' behaviour constructively by establishing and maintaining a clear and positive framework for discipline, in line with the school's behaviour policy.
- (c) Use a range of behaviour management techniques and strategies, adapting them as necessary to promote the self-control and independence of learners.
- (d) (f) Promote learners' self-control, independence, and cooperation through developing their social, emotional, and behavioural skills.

Team working and collaboration

- Work as a team member and identify opportunities for working with colleagues, managing their work where appropriate and sharing the development of effective practice with them.
- Ensure that colleagues working with them are appropriately involved in supporting learning and understand the roles they are expected to fulfil.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- To carry out the duties and responsibilities of the post, in accordance with the school's Health and Safety Policy and relevant Health and Safety Guidance and Legislation.



- To take responsibility for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.
- To use information technology systems as required to carry out the duties of the post in the most efficient and effective manner.
- To undertake training and professional development as appropriate.
- To undertake other duties appropriate to the post that may reasonably be required from time to time.

PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

- To ensure that all services within the areas of responsibility are provided in accordance with the school's Commitment to high quality service provision to the customer.
- At all times to carry out the responsibilities of the post with due regard to the school's Equal Opportunities policy.



Person Specification

The person specification is a picture of skills, knowledge and experience required to carry out the job. It has been used to draw up the advert and will also be used in the short-listing and interview process for this post.

You should demonstrate on your application form how you meet each of the following essential criteria. Please ensure that your address each one of the criteria as this will be used to assess your suitability for the post.

Service Area: Schools		School: Newington Green Primary School
Post Title: Class Teacher		Grade: Mainscale
REQUIREMENTS		
E1	Qualified Teacher Status and evidence of appropriate subsequent in-service training.	A/I
E2	Proven successful teaching experience preferably across both the Foundation stage and KS1 and in at least one inner city multi-cultural school.	
E3	Proven experience of leading and managing change at an appropriate level including the curriculum, classroom organisation and administration in a school.	
E4	Proven experience of high standards of classroom practice and of teaching area of responsibility.	
	Personal Qualities	
E5	Evidence of the personal and intellectual qualities required to set an example to others and to lead a team.	
E6	Respect for the views of parents and a commitment to the importance of the involvement of parents in the learning process.	
	Commitment to Excellence	



E7	Evidence of a commitment to excellence and the maximising of academic and personal achievement for all pupils. Interpersonal Skills	
E8	Evidence of good interpersonal skills and the ability to work as member of a team and develop and maintain good relations with all members of the school community. To work co-operatively with the staff of the Local Education Authority and relevant agencies as required. Communications	
E9	Evidence of the ability to communicate clearly both orally and in writing with pupils, parents and colleagues. Educational and Curriculum Matters	
E10	An understanding of the different ways in which children learn and the appropriateness of a variety of teaching styles to meet the individual learning needs of each child.	
E11	Evidence of good organisational skills to create and maintain a stimulating and attractive learning environment.	
E12	Evidence of the ability to organise successfully the curriculum for a class of pupils of mixed abilities, aptitudes and educational needs through planning, preparation, monitoring and assessment.	
E13	A thorough knowledge of the area of responsibility including its specific requirements in relation to the National Curriculum and learning strategies for children of all abilities.	
E14	Evidence of good general knowledge of the requirements of the National Curriculum. Performance Review	
E15	Evidence of the ability to define effective measures for the performance of pupils and classes and to keep these measures under systematic review.	



	Record Keeping	
E16	Evidence of knowledge and understanding of effective record keeping, and its use to promote the educational and personal development of all children within the school.	
	Behaviour and Ethos	
E17	Evidence of the ability to maintain effective classroom discipline in a positive context and to promote well-ordered and self-disciplined behaviour throughout the school.	
	Health and Safety	
E18	An understanding of the responsibility of the class teacher with regard to the health and safety of pupils in their care.	
E19	Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people.	
E20	Ability to deliver services to customers meeting the school's standard for customer care.	
E21	A commitment to providing a responsive and supportive service and a willingness to constantly seek ways of improving the service.	
E22	A commitment to deliver services with the framework of the school's equal opportunities policy.	
E= Essential D= Desirable		
*Assessed by: A= Application I= Interview T= Test		



How to apply

Application Deadline

Completed application forms must be received by: **Midnight 16th April 2023. We reserve the right to appoint before the above dates should a suitable postholder be found. We therefore encourage early applications, so that we can organise selection activities. Applications will be checked on a regular basis.**

Please note that we only accept online application forms. CVs, hard copy, or late applications will not be accepted.

To apply

Please apply online at www.islington.gov.uk/jobs. If you need any assistance, please contact Schools HR at schoolsrecruitment@islington.gov.uk quoting reference **NG/1333**.

Contact

To find out more about the role, please contact either school office to arrange a time (Rotherfield – **020 7226 6620** / Newington Green - **020 7254 3092**).

Completing your application

Please read the job description and person specification carefully. You should demonstrate on your application how you meet the requirements of the post according to your qualifications, skills, abilities and experiences. Please ensure to address each criteria of the person specification as this will be used to assess your suitability for the post.

Guidance notes on how to apply for a job within schools and the policy on the recruitment employment of ex-offenders are available as attachment within the online job listing. Please refer to those before submitting your application.



Shortlisting and selection procedure

The shortlisting and selection will be made by a panel of senior leaders. Shortlisted candidates will be notified immediately after shortlisting has taken place and will be provided with further information on the selection process.

The selection process may have a combination of tasks, activities, assessment tools and interview. Further information will be provided to the candidates shortlisted for interview.

Please would all applicants ensure that their preferred means of urgent contact (phone, mobile phone, or e-mail) are clearly identifiable from the application form, so that your confidentiality is maintained.

References

Candidates are advised that references will be taken up during the shortlisting process. Candidates are asked to ensure that their referees are warned of the need to respond within the timescale set. In all cases at least two professional references are required.

The post will be offered subject to satisfactory completion of pre-employment checks.

Safeguarding children

Prior to appointment, formal checks will be made in accordance with the current statutory requirements relating to child protection.



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