



**POST TITLE:** Cover Supervisor

SALARY: £17,156 to £18,717 (dependent on service and experience)

HOURS: 31.25 hours per week, Term-time only (38 weeks)

### **BROAD DESCRIPTION:**

The purpose of the role is to provide high quality support and supervision to deliver successful outcomes for a range of students in school.

The post-holder will fulfil the role of providing class supervision for a whole class when a teacher is absent in the short-term. The post-holder will also assist in providing general care, safety and welfare of pupils.

Cover for short term absences may be provided by someone who is not a qualified teacher, i.e. a "cover supervisor". Such absences may be unplanned, e.g. sick leave or other emergency leave of absence or be planned, e.g. attendance at INSET or other professional development activity or a medical appointment.

**RESPONSIBILITY FOR OTHERS:** The post has considerable impact on the well-being of individuals or groups through contributing to the assessment of pupil need and progress, the development and implementation of plans and providing support to pupils.

**RESPONSIBILITY FOR STAFF:** The post has little direct responsibility for supervising other staff though may be expected to demonstrate tasks or advise / guide new employees, work experience or trainees.

**RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCE:** The post has no direct responsibility for financial resources other than occasionally handling small amounts of cash, processing cheques, invoices etc.

**RESPONSIBILITY FOR PHYSICAL RESOURCES:** The post has some responsibility for physical resources involving record keeping (e.g. behaviour records) and ensuring the appropriate handling and careful use of equipment (e.g. computer / PC / teaching materials / resources) during cover supervision.

# TYPICAL TASKS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

# **Support to Students:**

- Establish productive working relationships with students, acting as a role model and setting high expectations.
- Promote the inclusion and acceptance of all students within the classroom, encourage them to interact and work co-operatively with others and engage all in activities.
- Implement school strategies and procedures in relation to behaviour management.
- Monitor and provide for the care, safety and welfare of students.
- Support individuals or groups during independent /group work, e.g. explain tasks, reinforce key objectives/concepts or vocabulary, use practical apparatus, support less able pupils, extend/challenge more able, keep pupils on task, interested, motivated and engaged.
- Help pupils to develop communication skills and role play activity.
- Promote inclusion and acceptance of all pupils, encourage them to interact and work cooperatively and engage in activities.
- Promote independence and development of self-esteem
- Assist in the personal, social, emotional development of pupils and development of selfesteem.
- Encourage and reinforce positive interactions between pupils working within any behaviour targets set
- Identify and report uncharacteristic behaviour patterns
- Assist with pupil supervision on trips off the premises
- Monitor and provide for general care, safety and welfare of pupils, including tasks connected

with their social inclusion and personal/physical care.

- Carry out lunch time duties as determined by the School's needs at the time.
- Lead intervention work with a small number of students
- Attend Parents' Information Evenings when deemed appropriate by the School.
- Continue to develop your own professional development each year

## **Support to Teachers:**

Provide cover supervision when the teacher responsible for the class is absent on short-term absence (which may be planned or unplanned). Cover supervision involves:

- Supervising a whole class to undertake set work / activities and can include introducing and closing the class.
- Maintaining good order and managing behaviour constructively.
- Promotion of self-control and independence.
- · Keeping students engaged in learning.
- Responding appropriately to questions raised by students.
- Collecting any completed work and returning it to the appropriate teacher.
- Dealing with immediate problems and emergencies in accordance with the school's policies.
- Reporting back on behaviour of students during the class and any issues arising.
- Assist with lesson/activity planning, delivery and evaluation
- Monitor individual/group achievements of key objectives and provide feedback to the teacher
- Contribute to pupil assessment through observation and reporting
- Record information relevant to assessment and review of pupils' progress
- Attend IEP and statement review meetings if appropriate
- Support implementation of strategies to manage pupil behaviour and help manage pupil behaviour
- Active involvement in day to day management of the learning environment including responsibility for the care and preparation of teaching aids, equipment, materials and differentiated resources.
- Undertake routine and non-routine administrative tasks, e.g. produce worksheets, administer coursework
- Liaise with parents/carers, specialist teachers and other professional staff, share and provide information

## Other Tasks:

- Undertake admin tasks as appropriate.
- Undertake co-ordination of displays.
- Invigilation and preparation for examinations or controlled assessments as and when necessary.

## **Support the School:**

- Understand and comply with school policies and procedures
- Contribute to the overall ethos / aims of the school.
- Attend and participate in meetings and participate in training and other learning activities as and when required.
- Supervise students on visits, trips under the overall guidance of the responsible teacher if required.

#### Notes:

These are broad descriptions of the types of duties/activities expected at this level, for illustrative purposes. They are not intended to provide an exhaustive list of duties.

Attributes		Essential (E) or Desirable (D)
Qualifications	Minimum of GCSE (or equivalent) English and Maths at grade A – C	E
	Have a good overall level of education	E
	<ul> <li>Qualification to NVQ 3 and experience in working with young people in a relevant environment e.g. youth work, health service or social work.</li> </ul>	D
Experience	Experience of working with young people in a relevant professional environment (education, youth, health, social work)	E
	Experience of working in an education setting	D
Skills	Able to and experience of taking responsibility, working on own initiative and making decisions	E
	Ability to communicate well to a class of students	E
	Have good presentation skills	E
Knowledge	Excellent interpersonal qualities	E
	Demonstrable high-level Literacy and Numeracy	E
	Able to use initiative and plan use of class time	E
	Confident user of IT	E
	Be able to hold authority	E
	Have sound classroom management skills and be fully aware of responsibilities relating to the duty of care.	E
	Knowledge of behaviour management strategies	D
Personal attributes	Good time management	E
	Set a good example by one's own presentation, personal and professional conduct	E
	Willingness to undertake training.	Е