



# GREENWOOD ACADEMIES TRUST

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Post Title: DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Purpose:

- To implement and deliver an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum for pupils within the relevant age group and to support a designated curriculum area as appropriate.
- To monitor and support the overall progress and development of pupils as a Teacher tutor.
- To facilitate and encourage a learning experience which provides pupils with the opportunity to achieve the highest of standards.
- To share and support the Trust's responsibility to provide and monitor opportunities for pupils' personal and academic growth.
- To contribute to the overall leadership and management of Medeshamstede Academy with specific responsibilities identified.
- To drive the Academy's autism strategies and person-centred approach.
- To support the Principal in ensuring the vision and values of the Academy are communicated to all stake holders.

Reporting to: Principal

Responsible for: The provision of a full learning experience and support for pupils in accordance with the professional duties of a teacher.

Liaising with: The Executive Principal/Principal/Head of School/Deputy and Assistant Principals, teaching/support staff, external agencies and parents/carers.

The following information is furnished to assist staff joining the Trust to understand and appreciate the work content of their post and the role they play in the establishment.

MAIN (CORE) DUTIES: To carry out the professional duties of a school teacher as provided for under the relevant sections of the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document.

Operational/Strategic Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To assist in the development of appropriate curriculum, resources, schemes of work, policies and teaching strategies for the needs of pupils with autism.</li> <li>• To contribute to the Academy Improvement Plan and its implementation.</li> <li>• To plan and prepare interventions and lessons.</li> <li>• To contribute to whole Academy planning activities.</li> <li>• To support successful transition plans for new pupils and families joining the Academy</li> </ul>
Curriculum provision:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To assist the Principal to ensure that the curriculum area provides a range of teaching that complements the Trust's strategic objectives.</li> </ul>
Curriculum development:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To assist in the process of curriculum development and change so as to ensure the continued relevance to the needs of pupils, examining and awarding bodies and the Trust's mission and strategic objectives.</li> </ul>
Staff development:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To take part in the Trust's staff development programme by participating in arrangements for further training and professional development.</li> <li>• To continue personal development in the relevant areas including SEND, Good Autism Practice, subject knowledge and teaching methods.</li> <li>• To engage actively in the Performance Management Review process.</li> </ul>
Recruitment/deployment of staff:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To ensure the effective/efficient deployment of classroom support.</li> <li>• To work as a member of a designated team and to contribute positively to effective working relations within the Trust.</li> </ul>
Quality Assurance:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To help implement the Trust's quality procedures and adhere to them.</li> <li>• To contribute to the process of monitoring and evaluation of the curriculum in line with agreed Trust procedures, including evaluation against quality standards and performance criteria.</li> <li>• To seek/implement modification and improvement where required.</li> <li>• To review from time to time methods of teaching, autism strategies and programmes of work.</li> <li>• To take part, as may be required, in the review, development and management of activities relating to the curriculum, assessment, organisation and pastoral functions of the Academy.</li> </ul>
Management information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To maintain appropriate records and to provide relevant, accurate and up-to-date information for the</li> </ul>

Academy's information system, ie Connecting Steps, CMIS etc.

- To complete the relevant documentation to assist in the tracking of pupils.
- To track pupil progress and use information to inform teaching and learning.

Communications:

- To communicate effectively with the parents/carers of pupils as appropriate.
- Where appropriate, to communicate and co-operate with persons or bodies outside the Trust.
- To follow agreed policies for communications in the Trust.
- An ability to converse at ease with all customers and provide accurate advice in order to fulfil all spoken aspects of the role through the medium of spoken English.

Marketing and liaison:

- To take part in marketing and liaison activities such as Open Evenings, Parents' Evenings, Review Days and liaison events with partner Academies.
- To contribute to the development of effective subject links with external agencies and other schools.

Management of resources:

- To contribute to the process of the ordering and allocation of equipment and materials.
- To assist the Principal/Deputy Principal to identify resource needs and to contribute to the efficient/effective use of physical resources.
- To cooperate with other staff to ensure a sharing and effective usage of resources to the benefit of the Academy, Key Stage team and the pupils.

Pastoral system:

- To be a form tutor to an assigned group of pupils.
- To promote the general progress and well-being of individual pupils and of the group as a whole.
- To liaise with the Senior Education Adviser/SENCo/Principal to ensure the implementation of the Trust's support systems.
- To evaluate and monitor the progress of pupils and keep up-to-date pupil records as required.
- To contribute to the preparation of action plans, progress files and other reports.
- To alert the appropriate staff to problems experienced by pupils and to make recommendations as to how these may be resolved.
- To communicate, as appropriate, with the parents of pupils and with persons or bodies outside the Trust concerned with the welfare of individual pupils, after consultation with the appropriate senior staff.
- To contribute to PSHE, citizenship and enterprise education, according to the Trust policies.

Teaching:

- To support the Trust's behaviour management protocols so that effective learning can take place.
- To teach pupils according to their educational needs including the setting and marking of work to be carried out by the pupil in the Academy and elsewhere.
- To assess, record and report on the attendance, progress, development and attainment of pupils and to keep such records as are required.
- To provide, or contribute to, oral and written assessments, reports and references relating to individual students and groups of pupils.
- To ensure that ICT, literacy, numeracy and SEND specialism(s) are reflected in the teaching/learning experience of pupils.
- To undertake a designated programme of teaching to fully prepare pupils for all examinations and tests.
- To ensure a high quality learning experience for pupils that meets internal and external quality standards.
- To prepare and update teaching materials.
- To use a variety of delivery methods that will stimulate learning appropriate to pupil needs and the demands of the syllabus and/or scheme of work.
- To maintain discipline in accordance with the Trust's procedures and to encourage good practice with regard to punctuality, behaviour, standards of work and homework.
- To undertake assessment of pupils as requested by external examination bodies, departmental, year and Trust procedures.
- To mark, grade and give written/verbal and diagnostic feedback as required.
- To jointly plan with any Learning Assistants or Learning Mentors allocated to pupils in your class.

Other specific duties:

- To play a full part in the life of the Academy, to support its distinctive mission and ethos and to encourage staff and pupils to follow this example.
- To carry out pre-school break, lunchtime and after school duties as assigned to you.
- To actively promote the Trust's corporate policies.
- To continue personal development as agreed.
- To comply with the Trust's Health and Safety policy and undertake risk assessments as appropriate.
- To undertake any other duty as specified by the STPCD not mentioned in the above.
- To promote and safeguard the welfare of pupils for whom you are responsible or come into contact with.

**Additional Specific Responsibilities**

All Deputy Principals and Assistant Principals will carry out the professional duties as detailed in the STPCD.

- In particular, working with the Regional Director/Principal/Head of School on:
  - Strategic direction
  - School discipline
  - Overall standards
  - Managing the Academy
- To line and performance manage staff assigned to them by the Principal.

And, additionally:

- To support the Principal/Head of School, with the other Deputy Principals on:
  - Academy standards
  - Academy self-evaluation
  - Ofsted preparation/Quality Assurance
  - Quality of teaching and learning
  - Development planning
  - Continuing professional development
  - Reporting to parents
  - Liaising with local colleges to effectively manage and deploy students
- To prepare reports as and when required.
- To manage and lead specific areas of the Academy as allocated by the Principal/Head of School.
- To take a leading role on Academy discipline and promote positive behaviour support for all children and young people.

All adults employed by the Trust are responsible for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children they are responsible for or come into contact with.

All adults employed by the Trust have a responsibility data protection and have a duty to observe and follow the principles of the GDPR Regulation.

Whilst every endeavour has been made to outline all the duties and responsibilities of the post, this document does not specify every item in detail. Where broad headings have been used, all associated duties are naturally included in the job description.

# PERSON SPECIFICATION

## Deputy Principal

	Essential	Desirable	How Assessed
<b>Qualifications:</b>			
Degree	✓		Application form
Higher Degree		✓	Application form
Qualified Teacher Status	✓		Application form
<b>Teaching and Professional Experience:</b>			
Substantial evidence of current 'outstanding' classroom teaching	✓		From references
An understanding of the needs and management of pupils with SEND		✓	Application form; at interview and from references
Experience of school leadership including experience working with data and performance measures	✓		Application form; at interview and from references
<b>Personal and Professional Skills and Attributes:</b>			
Flexible and approachable. Able to deal sensitively with people	✓		At interview
Incisive and clear strategic thinker	✓		At interview
Resilient and calm under pressure	✓		At interview
Excellent communication skills	✓		Application form and at interview
High expectations of students in terms of behaviour and achievement	✓		Application form, at interview and from references
The ability to lead, manage and motivate staff and students	✓		Application form, at interview and from references
Evidence of vision for the future of effective education	✓		Application form and at interview
Solution focussed in approach	✓		At interview
Evidence of the ability to synthesise and evaluate data to support strategic planning	✓		At interview
High professional standards	✓		Application form, at interview and from references
Willingness to offer a positive commitment to the life of the Academy	✓		Application form, at interview and from references
<b>Other:</b>			
Must satisfy relevant employment checks	✓		Documentary evidence

Requirements from confidential references:

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	Essential
Written reference(s) only	✓
Confirmation of professional and personal knowledge, skills and abilities	✓
Positive recommendation from current employer	✓

The Greenwood Dale Foundation Trust will require the appointed candidate to gain satisfactory relevant background checks in accordance with safer recruitment guidelines; this will include an Enhanced (with Barred) Disclosure check.