## JOB DESCRIPTION

# **TA Apprenticeship**

**Conditions of Service:** NJC for Local Government Services

30 hours per week (or proportion for part-time)

TERM-TIME ONLY 39 weeks per academic year (195 days)

Grade: Apprenticeship Salary: National Minimum Wage

#### **JOB PURPOSE**

To support the classroom teacher with their responsibility for the development and education process by providing care and supervision skills to children, including those who have special physical, emotional and educational needs, by utilising a good standard of practical knowledge and skills.

### **OUTLINE RESPONSIBILITIES AND TASKS**

Under the direction and control of the classroom teacher or designated supervisor:

- Supervise the activities of individuals or groups of children to ensure their safety and facilitate their physical and emotional development.
- Undertake those activities necessary to meet the physical and emotional needs of individuals and groups of children, including pupils with educational, physical or emotional special needs.
- To monitor individual pupil's problems, progress, achievements and condition and report these to the designated supervisor as appropriate.
- Actively engage in the pre-determined educational activities and work programmes at a basic level and to assist in personal and individual development of individuals or groups of pupils.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED**

Working at Level 2 Maths and English.

Apprentices without English and Maths at Level 2 must achieve these prior to taking the End Point Assessment.

The ability to support pupils and staff and communicate with parents through fluent and accurately spoken English

#### SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITY

None.

#### SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Classroom teacher

### **PRINCIPAL CONTACTS**

Pupils, classroom teacher, other Teaching Assistants.

### JOB RESPONSIBILITIES AND TASKS may include:

### Under the direction and control of the Classroom Teacher -

- To assist the teacher with learning activities generally in the classroom.
- Contributing to the planning of work to meet the needs of the National Curriculum and individual needs of pupils and students.
- Contributing to the formulation of Individual Education Plans including attendance at SEN reviews and other meetings relevant to the service/pupil needs.
- To carry out appropriate activities as planned within the classroom or with groups of pupils including administration of baseline tests.
- To display and present children's work.
- Responsibility for visual aids.
- To prepare and organise teaching resources including the checking and maintaining of classroom equipment and materials including control of stock within the classroom.
- To prepare resources for lessons and activities.
- Assistance with the physical manipulation of objects and equipment.
- General supervision, counselling and discipline of children and students, within the procedures of the school and/or service.
- To assist the teacher in liaising with parents and professionals such as speech therapists.
- To assist at an appropriate level with the provision of general care and welfare of children including:
  - (i) assistance with the personal hygiene routine, e.g. toilet training, changing of incontinent children, dressing and undressing;
  - (ii) the changing of soiled clothing including its disposal in the appropriate way;
  - (iii) assisting with children's injuries and where qualified, administering basic first aid;
  - (iv) (following consultation and agreement) to assist with the administering of medicines under the direction of the appropriate medical staff;
  - (v) to assist with the identification and monitoring of children's general health and welfare.

- Helping the teacher with tasks.
- Hearing children read.
- Supporting children to be independent by helping them with tasks.
- Answering questions from pupils.
- Providing support for the Literacy and Numeracy Strategies.
- Giving spelling exercises if appropriate to the needs of the pupils.
- Assisting with supervision of children within the school.
- Assisting the pupil to access the normal routines of the classroom.
- Preparation or modification of the work for the child under the direction of the class teacher, and supporting the child in carrying out this work.
- Assisting in the implementation of programmes designed by other professionals such as educational psychologists, and speech and language therapists.
- To contribute to meetings to discuss the specific child's progress.
- Assist with the provision of general care and welfare to pupils and to be mindful of the need to maintain a safe environment at all times.
- Adhering to and maintaining school routine and codes of conduct.
- Supporting the ethos of the school.
- To assist with the support of group activities within and away from the classroom,
   i.e. P.E., swimming, educational visits.
- To ensure that pupils are able to safely use equipment and materials provided and be aware of the range of resources available.
- Promote pupil independence in learning, and reinforcing the child(ren)'s self-esteem through praise and encouragement.
- Assisting with the promotion of independence activities and mobility skills.
- To maintain personal and professional development to meet the changing demands of the job, participate in appropriate training activities and encourage and support staff in their development and training.

#### Notes:

This post is subject to a criminal record check.

- The Headteacher 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.
- Reasonable adjustments will be considered as required by the Equalities Act.
- 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.
- The English fluency duty applies to this post. Person specifications should include that the postholder must have the ability to support pupils and staff and communicate with parents through fluent and accurately spoken English