



Wellspring Academy Trust Advert

Post Title: Teaching Assistant

Department: The Forest Academy

Reporting to: Katie Pierce (Head of School)

Salary within the range: Grade 4 Scale Point 7 £20,092 (Pro Rata £13,678)

An opportunity has arisen to join the team at Forest. The Forest Academy has enjoyed a period of rapid improvement in recent years which has seen the school transform from well below national to above in many areas.

We are looking for the right person to join our team and play a significant role in our next steps in our plan towards exceptional provision for our young people. The success of Forest is underpinned by a dynamic, driven and highly motivated team of professionals and is, essentially, a fun place to be. Whilst there are easier schools to work in than Forest, there are none which offer the range of challenges, successes and opportunities to be part of something magical that we do. We offer our young people the guidance they need to make good choices about their daily endeavors; choices which will open up opportunities for our pupils far beyond their time at Forest. We genuinely believe that our children have infinite potential and it is our job to unleash it.

Forest is a part of Wellspring Academy Trust, a growing Multi-Academy Trust which is fully committed to making a difference to the lives and life chances of the young people and the communities we serve. We work in strong partnership with our sister schools within Barnsley – Oakhill Primary Academy and Oakwell Rise Primary Academy – and also Wellspring schools which offer expertise in SEMH and SEND in Barnsley, Springwell and Greenacre. We are fully committed to the professional development of our colleagues and in this role you will have the opportunity to attend extensive training and benefit from expert guidance and support from within our wider Wellspring network.

As the Trust continues to grow our roles offer pathways for ambitious and dynamic individuals who are determined to make a difference. We value our people; collegial working at all levels is central to our culture. High quality induction training and ongoing professional development support are guaranteed. There will be a broad range of opportunities for you to realise your professional vision and ambitions within the Trust.

We are looking for someone who:

- is enthusiastic, warm and caring
- is able to develop a friendly and supportive relationship with children and their families
- is able to boost children's self-esteem, resilience and aspirations
- is able to work with the class teacher to support the children in their learning
- is able to lead learning
- is committed to their own learning and professional development



In return, we can offer:

- A chance to work with fantastic, enthusiastic children who deserve the best start in life
- The opportunity to become part of a school community where children are at the heart of all we do
- A supportive and experienced Leadership Team
- A school that values your training and personal development

Forest is an oasis of excellence in the heart of Kendray and we believe our children deserve the very best. If you have a passion for working with children who deserve every drop of love, care, respect and high regard it's possible to muster - then you might be looking in the right place.

Wellspring Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our pupils. All posts are offered subject to enhanced DBS checks. References will be taken up prior to interview.

If you are currently living overseas or have lived / worked overseas in the last five years please be aware that you will be required to provide an overseas criminal records check from the country/countries you have resided in, if you are the preferred candidate for the post.

All applicants need to complete the Equal Opportunities form. Please click link for further details <http://bit.ly/WATEqualOpportunities>

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Duration of Post	Permanent
Work Commitment	Monday- Friday
Hours	30 hours (08.30am - 3.15pm)
Salary	Grade 4 Scale Point 7 £20,092 Pro Rata £13,678
Start date	As soon as possible
Closing date	Monday 8th November 2021
Shortlisting	Tuesday 9th November 2021
Interview date	Monday 15th November 2021
Applications	Please email g.law@theforest-academy.co.uk for an application pack. Alternatively, please call 01226 284719 for further information.

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