KEINTON MANDEVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL



JOB DESCRIPTION - HEADTEACHER

The duties outlined are in addition to those covered by the latest School Teacher's Pay and Conditions Document.

Job Purpose:

The core purpose of the Headteacher is to provide professional leadership and management for the school and a secure foundation from which to achieve high standards in all areas of the school's work.

The Headteacher will establish a culture that promotes excellence, equality and high expectations of all pupils.

Main Duties / Responsibilities

LEADERSHIP

- ensure the maintenance of high-performance standards
- ensure that the school is a self-evaluating institution with a robust system of quality assurance
- set an example of exemplary conduct and standards to all staff
- provide effective professional challenge and support to all staff
- manage all resources (budget, staff & facilities) and allocate them to support effective teaching and learning

MANAGEMENT

- carry out and review the School Development Planning process and report to Governors as appropriate
- implement the school performance management process, to ensure:
 - o the annual performance management of staff
 - o consistently high levels of performance and commitment from all members of staff
 - o appropriate opportunities for professional development for all staff
- challenge underperformance at all levels with effective corrective action
- build and maintain excellent relationships with all School stakeholders
- managing the school's involvement in relevant networks
- take responsibility for the day to day running of the school (including Health and safety) and oversee the long-term upkeep, maintenance and development of the premises in conjunction with the local authority

CURRICULUM

- lead the development and maintenance of an appropriate and inclusive curriculum, designed to reflect the best current educational thinking, practice and research
- ensure parents and pupils are well informed about the curriculum, attainment and progress
- keep up to date with developments within the curriculum, and liaise with all relevant outside agencies

TEACHING AND LEARNING

- make sure teaching and learning ensures the highest standards in every pupil's learning
- develop and maintain high quality transition into Primary school and out to Secondary schools, especially for pupils with additional needs
- ensuring a consistent and continuous focus on pupils' achievement and well-being, with systems for recording individual pupils' progress, and effective use of data and benchmarks to monitor progress in every pupil's learning
- monitor, evaluate and review classroom practice and promote improvement strategies
- lead a programme of regular feedback to colleagues, including trainee teachers and Early Career Teachers, in a way which recognises good practice and supports their progress against professional and performance management objectives, resulting in a tangible impact on pupils' learning
- undertake some teaching duties at a level consistent with the needs of the school

SAFEGUARDING

- act as lead Designated Officer for Safeguarding (supported by the Deputy head) and ensure that school policies and practices are in place and followed
- ensure that the highest standards of safeguarding are met in order to keep all children safe within the school
- actively encourage and support staff to ensure that a safeguarding culture is developed and sustained within the school

This Job Description is subject to review.

Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications and training	 The successful candidate will have: Qualified teacher status (QTS). An enhanced DBS and barred list check. Safeguarding experience and certification. Recent and relevant professional development. 	 Evidence of further personal study or professional development. A relevant leadership qualification or working towards, for example, the NPQH.
Experience	 Substantial experience in a senior leadership role, e.g., as a headteacher, deputy or assistant headteacher or senior teacher. Evidence of managing and making a substantial contribution to the effective management of change. Evidence of successful implementation of strategies to improve teaching and learning to raise the standards of achievement for all pupils. Evidence of effective teaching, assessment and target setting. Experience of a significant area including the responsibility for raising standards across the whole school. Successful team leadership. An understanding of inclusive practices to support children and families and of supporting children with challenging needs. 	 Experience of substantial successful school development planning. Teaching experience including a variety of Primary age ranges and key stages. Experience of financial issues, reporting and budget management. Experience of working with governors. Leadership in more than one setting. Substantial leadership of the wider school workforce including teaching assistants.

Knowledge and understanding/ Leadership and Management	 Develop and implement strategies for school improvement, including data analysis, target setting and for improving the quality of teaching and learning. Monitor performance management and manage effective professional development. Effectively use ICT to support teaching and learning. Manage pupils' behaviour and attitudes to learning. Work in partnership with other schools and agencies in order to meet pupils' needs. Engage parents in their children's learning and the work of the school. Show their impact on successful curriculum development. Have the ability to analyse and interpret complex data. Thorough knowledge of the National Curriculum and experience of curriculum delivery, monitoring and assessment. 	 Demonstrate experience of success with a range of external partners. Assisted or led in whole school curriculum design. Experience of research- based curriculum design.
Personal Effectiveness and Skills	 The successful candidate will be able to: Prioritise and manage time appropriately, with the ability to work under pressure and to deadlines. Achieve challenging professional goals. Take full responsibility for their own professional development. Demonstrate flexibility and an ability to adapt to changing circumstances and new ideas. Create a positive personal impact, conveying authority, confidence and approachability. 	 Have evidence of successful management of change which has had a major impact on staff development, teaching and learning.

	 The ability to inspire, challenge, motivate and empower others to implement the school vision over the short medium and long-term. An outstanding classroom practitioner. 	
Personal qualities	 An excellent attendance and punctuality record. The ability to develop and maintain positive relationships with colleagues and other members of the school community. The ability to manage and resolve conflict. Excellent time management skills and organisation. A commitment to promote equality of opportunity and inclusion. The ability to foster supportive relationships with both adults and children. The ability to inspire, challenge, motivate and empower others and instil a 'can do' attitude. Supportive, energetic, driven and confident. 	