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| Job Description | |

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| Job Details | |
| **School Name** | **St Mary’s CE Primary School** |
| **Job Title** | Teaching Assistant Level 4 |
| **Grade** | Grade F |
| **Primary Purpose of Job** | To contribute to the development and wellbeing of children and young people |
| **Responsible to** | Line Manager/ Head Teacher |
| **Responsible for** | N/A |
| **Principal Responsibilities** | To support the development, learning and progress of children  To take responsibility for individuals, small groups or whole classes when the teacher is not present  To use area(s) of expertise and knowledge to advance learning |

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| Main Duties | |
|  | Have high expectations of children and young people with a commitment to helping them fulfil their potential through planning, monitoring and delivering teaching and learning activities |
|  | Establish fair, respectful, trusting, supportive and constructive relationships with children and young people |
|  | Help to keep children safe, including maintaining a safe environment, dealing with accidents, supporting safeguarding. |
|  | Demonstrate the positive values, attitudes and behaviour expected from children and young people |
|  | Communicate effectively and sensitively with children, young people, colleagues, parents and carers |
|  | Recognise and respect the contribution that parents and carers can make to the development and well-being of children and young people |
|  | Demonstrate a commitment to collaborative and cooperative working with colleagues |
|  | Improve own knowledge and practice including responding to advice and feedback |
|  | Contribute to effective personalised provision by taking practical account of diversity |
|  | Use area(s) of expertise to contribute to the planning and preparation of learning activities, including own role in learning activities |
|  | Plan and prepare for lessons that you will deliver, with the appropriate planning time provided. |
|  | Devise clearly structured activities that interest and motivate learners and advance their learning |
|  | Plan how the inclusion of children and young people in learning activities will be supported |
|  | Contribute to the selection and preparation of resources suitable for children and young people’s interests and abilities |
|  | Monitor learners’ responses to activities and modify the approach accordingly |
|  | Monitor learners’ progress in order to provide focused support and feedback |
|  | Support the evaluation of learners’ progress using a range of assessment techniques |
|  | Contribute to maintaining and analysing records of learners’ progress |
|  | Use effective strategies to promote positive behaviour |
|  | Recognise and respond appropriately to situations that challenge equality of opportunity |
|  | Use ICT skills to advance learning |
|  | Advance learning when working with individuals, small groups, and whole classes without the presence of the assigned teacher |
|  | Organise and manage learning activities in ways which keep learners safe |
|  | Direct the work, where relevant, of other adults in support learning |

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| Additional people management and development duties as appropriate | |
|  | Develop and maintain working relationships with other practitioners |
|  | Provide leadership for your team |
|  | Allocate and check work in your team |
|  | Lead and motivate volunteers |
|  | Provide learning opportunities for colleagues |
|  | Support learners by mentoring in the workplace |

The post holder may reasonably be expected to undertake other duties commensurate with the level of responsibility that may be allocated, at the discretion of the Head Teacher and to meet the needs of the school.

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| Person Specification | |

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## Stage One

The minimum essential requirements for the above post are as follows. Please try to show in your application form, how best you meet these requirements. Disabled candidates are guaranteed an interview if they meet the essential criteria.

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| Skills and Knowledge | | Method of Assessment |
|  | Ability to plan, monitor, support delivery and deliver teaching and learning activities. | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to set and promote high standards of behaviour and handle potentially difficult situations | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to engage children and young people and increase participation in activities through appropriate differentiation, taking into account diverse and individual needs of learners | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to model and demonstrate positive attitudes and behaviours and to utilise a range of activities to practise and reinforce social and emotional skills | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to adapt communication styles to needs and situations, and to establish effective communication processes with teachers, colleagues, parents and carers. | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to engage parents and carers and maximise their involvement in meeting children’s needs in relation to attainment, well-being or personal development | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to work effectively as part of a team, supporting colleagues and professionals from external agencies | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to reflect on own performance, agree development needs and evaluate learning achieved, as well as plan and evaluate improvement of knowledge in area of expertise | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to reflect pupils’ age and developmental needs in selecting and supporting planning and the design of teaching strategies and materials and review materials according to progress | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to provide appropriate/graduated methods of support for children and young people with SEN | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to provide clear and constructive feedback | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to take action to ensure safe and proper use of resources and to intervene where necessary to ensure safe learning | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Excellent numeracy and literacy skills | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Understanding of key factors affecting children and young people’s learning and progress | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Have sufficient understanding of area of expertise to support the development, learning and progress of children and young people | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge of how to use ICT to support professional activities | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge of how statutory and non-statutory frameworks and the school curriculum relates to the age and ability ranges of the learners being supported | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Understanding of the main features of the SEND Code of Practice and current disabilities legislation to support learners in accessing the curriculum | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of how frameworks that support the development and well-being of children and young people impact on practice, including safeguarding, Child Protection and Health & Safety | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Awareness of safeguarding principles and safe working practices | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Displays commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children and young people. | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of national benchmarks for achievement and links to planning of work. | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of how engagement and interest in learning can be maximised. | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and experience of the practical application of the numeracy and literacy strategies | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of strategies to monitor learner progress and of the range of records used for learners | Application Form / Interview |
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|  | Competencies Please note the school’s competencies, which are considered to be essential for all roles, are in the attached Core Competencies document. | Interview |

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| Experience, Qualifications and Training | | Method of Assessment |
|  | Relevant experience of working with children aged two years old in an educational setting | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Holder of an NVQ Level 3, BTEC Level 3 **or equivalent** in Teaching Assistant or Supporting Teaching and Learning, or holder of, willing to work towards or working towards the higher level teaching assistant accreditation | Application Form / Certificate |
|  | Holder of GCSE Mathematics and English qualification Grades A-C or 9-4 or the equivalent | Application Form / Certificate |
|  | Willingness to engage in relevant development opportunities including working towards higher-level teaching assistant accreditation if not yet achieved | Application Form / Interview |

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| Work Related Circumstances | | Method of Assessment |
|  | To attend staff training days, twilight training sessions and relevant out of hours training and events. | Interview |
|  | This post is subject to an enhanced disclosure and a barred list check from the Disclosure and Barring Service. | Application Form / Certificate |

## Stage Two

This will only be used in the event of a large number of applicants meeting the minimum essential requirements. Please try to show in your application form, how best you meet these requirements.

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| Skills and Knowledge | | Method of Assessment |
|  | Ability to use area(s) of expertise to lead and advance learning | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to use ICT to engage learners, including selecting appropriate tools and sources of information | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Ability to draw on area of expertise to impact on the learning of a whole class | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of strategies to support learners with English as an Additional Language | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of how to support children newly arrived in the UK | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of how to carry out risk assessments with regards to relevant learning activities | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of how to direct the work of other adults to support learning | Application Form / Interview |

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# Core Competencies

These core competencies are considered essential for all roles within this school. Please be prepared to be assessed on any of these during the interview process and, for the successful applicant, throughout the probationary period.

**Developing Self and Others**

Promote a learning environment to embed a learning culture. Support others to develop their skills and knowledge to fulfil their potential. Actively pursue your own development.

**Civil Contingencies**

Bolton Council has a statutory duty under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 to respond in the event of an emergency. If the Emergency Management Plan is activated, you may be required to assist in maintaining key council services and supporting the community. This could require working outside of routine working hours and working from places other than your normal place of work.

**Equality and Diversity**

Uphold the principles of fairness and the Equality Act 2010 in all undertakings as an employee of the school, including providing a fair, accessible service irrespective of customer’s race, religion, gender, sexuality, disability or age.

**Customer Care**

The ability to fully understand, assess and resolve the needs of all customers including those who present with complex situations, in a manner that respects dignity and expresses a caring and professional image.

**Health and Safety**

Take responsibility for the health and safety of yourself and others who may be affected by your acts or omissions, and comply with all health and safety legislation, policy and safe working practice, including participating in training activities necessary to your post.

**Data Protection and Confidentiality**

Ensure that any personal data or confidential data you hold is kept securely and is not disclosed, whether electronically, verbally or in writing, to any unauthorised third party. Follow school policies and procedures on dealing with personal information and information assets, including the Code of Conduct, Information Management, and ICT Acceptable Use. Personal or confidential data should only be accessed or used for school purposes.

**Fluency Duty**

Should you be required, as a regular and intrinsic part of your role, to speak to members of the public in English, you must be able to converse at ease with customers and provide advice in accurate spoken English, as required by the Immigration Act 2016.

**Working Hours**

The nature and demands of the role are not always predictable and there will be an expectation that work will be required outside of normal hours from time to time.

**Safeguarding**

This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Should the role involve working with the above groups, you will be subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barred List check by the Disclosure and Barring Service.