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| **Job Description and Person Specification** | |
| Post title | Teacher |
| Start date / review date | To be agreed |
| Responsible to | To be determined |
| Salary | M1 to M6 |
| Hours/days | Full time |
| **Safeguarding Statement** | |
| Didcot Primary Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All adults are required to adhere to the school’s safeguarding policies and practices. As part of the school’s safe recruitment procedures all staff regularly undergo enhanced DBS checks. | |
| **Main Purpose of the job** | |
| * Be responsible for the learning and achievement of all pupils in the class ensuring equality of opportunity for all * Be responsible and accountable for achieving the highest possible standards in work and conduct * Treat pupils with dignity, building relationships rooted in mutual respect, and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher’s professional position * Work proactively and effectively in collaboration and partnership with learners, parents/carers, governors, other staff and external agencies in the best interests of pupils * Act within the statutory frameworks, which set out their professional duties and responsibilities and in line with the duties outlined in the current *School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document and Teacher Standards (2012)* * Take responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school adhering to all policies and procedures * Meet the expectations set out in the Teachers’ Standards | |
| **KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES** | |
| Teaching | |
| * Plan and teach well-structured lessons to assigned classes, following the school’s plans, curriculum and schemes of work * Assess, monitor, record and report on the learning needs, progress and achievements of the assigned pupils making accurate and productive use of assessment. * Adapt teaching to respond to the strengths and needs of pupils * Promote good progress and outcomes by all pupils whatever their starting points * Demonstrate good subject and curriculum knowledge * Participate in arrangements for external assessments e.g. baseline, 2 year old checks. * Deliver the curriculum as relevant to the age and ability group that you teach * Be responsible for the preparation and development of teaching materials, teaching programmes and pastoral arrangements as appropriate * Be accountable for the attainment, progress and outcomes of pupils’ you teach * Have a clear understanding of the needs of all pupils, including those with special educational needs; * Demonstrate an understanding of and take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy including the correct use of spoken English (whatever your specialist subject) * If teaching early reading, demonstrate a clear understanding of appropriate teaching strategies e.g. systematic synthetic phonics * Use an appropriate range of observation, assessment, monitoring and recording strategies as a basis for setting challenging learning objectives for pupils of all backgrounds, abilities and dispositions, monitoring learners’ progress and levels of attainment * Make accurate and productive use of assessment to secure pupils’ progress * Give pupils regular feedback, both orally and through accurate marking, and encourage pupils to respond to the feedback, reflect on progress, their emerging needs and to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study * Set homework and plan other out-of-class activities to consolidate and extend the knowledge and understanding pupils have acquired as appropriate * Liaise with parents, other staff and professionals about pupils’ progress, reporting when requested both written and orally * Be prepared to change year groups and key stages when asked in order to support your own professional development * Read and act upon updates that are sent out weekly | |
| **Behaviour and Safety** | |
| * Establish a safe, purposeful and stimulating environment for pupils, rooted in mutual respect and establish a framework for discipline with a range of strategies, using praise, sanctions and rewards consistently and fairly and in line with the school policy * Manage classes effectively, using approaches which are appropriate to pupils’ needs in order to inspire, motivate and challenge pupils * Maintain good relationships with pupils, exercise appropriate authority, and act decisively when necessary * Be a positive role model and demonstrate consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour, which are expected of pupils * Have high expectations of behaviour, promoting self-control and independence of all learners * Carry out playground and other duties as directed * Be responsible for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school, raising any concerns following school protocol/procedures | |
| **Team Working and collaboration** | |
| * Participate in any relevant meetings/professional development opportunities at the school, which relate to the learners, curriculum or organisation of the school including pastoral arrangements and assemblies * Work as a team member and identify opportunities for working with colleagues and sharing the development of effective practice with them * Work effectively with your year team member and key stage group to ensure that provision is of consistently high quality and content across parallel classes when these are established * Contribute to the selection and professional development of other teachers and support staff including the induction and assessment of new teachers, teachers serving induction periods and where appropriate, threshold assessments * Ensure that colleagues working with you are appropriately involved in supporting learning and understand the roles they are expected to fulfil * Take part as required in the review, development and management of the activities relating to the curriculum, organisation and pastoral functions of the school * Cover for absent colleagues if needed * Collaborate and work with colleagues and other relevant professionals within and beyond the school | |
| **Fulfil Wider Responsibilities** | |
| * Work collaboratively with others to develop effective professional relationships * Deploy support staff effectively as appropriate * Communicate effectively with parents/carers with regard to pupils’ achievements and well-being using school systems/processes as appropriate * Communicate and co-operate with relevant external bodies * Make a positive contribution to the wider life and ethos of the school | |
| **Administration** | |
| * Register the attendance of and supervise learners, before, during or after school sessions as appropriate * Participate in and carry out any administrative and organisational tasks as required by the Principal | |
| **Curriculum Leadership (if applicable)** | |
| * Lead the development of a whole-school policy and schemes of work to achieve continuity and progression and when necessary to be involved in target setting through monitoring and reporting on the standards achieved within your subject area * Monitor and evaluate the standards of achievements through study of staff planning and children’s work, and by classroom visits and talking to children * Organise and/or lead meetings and workshops. Preparing reports to governors and as and when necessary offer support to staff in the planning and implementation of their programmes of work. Encourage links with other areas of the curriculum. Advise staff on assessment procedures in line with the school’s policy * Keep under review the school’s stock of resources and materials. Provide help and advice to staff on their effective use * Attend and make known relevant courses, organising reports to staff on issues of mutual concern | |
| **Managing own performance and development** | |
| * Demonstrate resilience and resourcefulness * Take responsibility for own professional development * Participate fully in the school’s appraisal and professional development ensuring that objectives are set and met within the agreed time scale * Think creatively and imaginatively to anticipate and solve problems and identify opportunities * To maintain a thorough and up to date knowledge and understanding of the current SEND Code of Practice and of the school’s curriculum and policies * To participate in INSET provided by the school and where appropriate to lead INSET * To look for external INSET opportunities that further professional development and fulfil the training targets agreed during appraisal * To ensure that the school’s Health and Safety Policy is followed * To take a full part in opportunities and meetings arising from the Didcot Partnership | |
| Personal and Professional Conduct | |
| * Uphold public trust in the profession and maintain high standards of ethics and behaviour, within and outside school. * Have proper and professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school and maintain high standards of attendance and punctuality. * Understand and act within the statutory frameworks setting out their professional duties and responsibilities | |
| Safeguarding | |
| * Work in line with statutory safeguarding guidance (e.g. Keeping Children Safe in Education, Prevent) and our safeguarding policy * Work with the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) to promote the best interests of pupils, including sharing concerns where necessary * Promote the safeguarding of all pupils in the school | |

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| **Person Specification – Class teacher** | |
| Criteria | Essential Qualities |
| **Qualification and experience** | * Qualified teacher status * Degree   Successful teaching experience in Early years (successful placement if an ECT) |
| **Skills and knowledge** | * An in-depth knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage framework * Knowledge of the primary curriclum * Knowledge of effective teaching and learning strategies * A good understanding of how children learn. * Ability to adapt teaching to meet pupils’ needs * Ability to build effective working relationships with pupils * Knowledge of guidance and requirements around safeguarding children. * Knowledge of effective behaviour management strategies   Good ICT skills, particularly using ICT to support learning |
| **Personal Qualities** | * A commitment to getting the best outcomes for all pupils and promoting the ethos and values of the academy and trust. * High expectations for children’s attainment and progress * Ability to work under pressure and prioritise effectively * Commitment to maintaining confidentiality at all times   Commitment to safeguarding and equality |