

Salary:

Responsible to:

Points 1-6 on the Lead PRactitioner Pay Scale

Head of Science

Date of Job Description:

February 2025

Purpose of the Role:

- To develop the practice of the department and beyond by sourcing, developing and signposting excellence in Science curriculum, teaching and learning.
- Continuously update subject and pedagogical knowledge, sharing this throughout the department.
- Set an example of excellence with regards to departmental and whole school strategies.
- Input into schemes of work development as well as be a key figure in the delivery of CPD.
- Try new approaches in the classroom and assess their impact before sharing with the department. This will be modelled through peer drop-ins, use of Iris and presenting ideas to the department during departmental meeting time.

Main Tasks and Responsibilities

- To provide high quality teaching to students to enable their learning, ensuring their safeguarding at all times and working in accordance with Teachers Standards.
- To consistently teach lessons which have a high impact on progress in each key stage;
- Teach students/pupils in accordance with national curriculum guidelines.
- Plan, prepare and deliver lessons to achieve consolidation and progression in student/pupil learning.
- Identify clear teaching objectives and specify how students/pupils will be taught and assessed.
- Make effective use of assessment, adapting planning and teaching in response to this and ensure coverage of programmes of study.

- Set appropriate tasks which challenge pupils and ensure high levels of interest.
- Set clear targets for students/pupils, building on prior attainment.
- Provide appropriate and helpful feedback to students/pupils.
- Identify SEND or very able pupils; and plan work to meet their needs.
- Provide clear structures for lessons maintaining pace, motivation and challenge.
- Encourage student/pupil participation in lessons and other school activities.
- Self-evaluate your teaching and respond to feedback to continually develop as a professional.
- Manage learners' behaviour constructively by establishing and maintaining a clear and positive framework for discipline, in line with the school's behaviour policy.
- Use a range of behaviour management techniques and strategies, adapting them as necessary to promote the self-control and independence of learners.
- Assess and record behaviour.
- Provide direction and support through supervision of other colleagues working in the classroom.
- Build good relationships and work collaboratively with parents/carers/guardians and other professionals to best support students/pupils.
- Prepare and present information about pupils/students.
- Provide support and guidance to students/pupils in their wellbeing working with pastoral support staff/teams in schools.
- To be an exemplar of outstanding teaching and learning;
- To take a lead role within the department in supporting staff development through coaching and training.
- To model excellence in classroom management and expectations to staff across the academy.
- To take a lead in delivering departmental intervention programmes to students.
- To support the department lead by ensuring that the department has long term plans in place that provide challenge, support, scaffolds and clarity on agreed department wide methodologies.
- In conjunction with the Head of Science, prepare and execute an action plan to continue to improve the quality of teaching in the Science department.

- To work closely with the Head of Science and Assistant Headteacher in developing, implementing and evaluating policies and practices that lead to department improvement.
- Undertake quality assurance to identify areas for action and to coach and engage in a professional dialogue with colleagues which provides supportive, constructive feedback and support continuous professional development across the department.
- Work with colleagues across the school to support the development of good practice and develop teaching practice in others.
- To fully support the agreed approaches for teaching and learning in the Science department;
- To support with the training of Early Careers Teachers;
- Promoting a positive learning environment and an achievement culture in which all cohorts of students strive towards the highest possible expectations
- Enable every child to become successful independent learners
- Ensure that all barriers to our students' learning are quickly identified and consequent interventions are enacted so that all students achieve at the highest levels.

<u>General</u>

- 1. To act in accordance with FCAT's policies and procedures.
- 2. To act as a role model and work in accordance with the Trust values: pride, ambition, respect, resilience, integrity and excellence.
- 3. To encourage and promote non-discriminatory behaviour and ensure equality and diversity is sustained within FCAT and our academies.
- 4. To ensure compliance with the General Data Protection Regulations and maintain confidentiality in your working practices each day.
- 5. To ensure compliance with FCAT's Health and Safety Policy at all times.
- 6. To adhere to FCAT's Safeguarding policy and procedures to ensure that the duty of care for all staff, including yourself to protect children and young people is maintained.
- 7. Any other tasks and responsibilities reasonably appropriate to this post and grade.