

## **EXTERNAL VACANCY**



Post reference: LP6-MIL-1

Job title: Grade 6 Learning Partner

**Location:** The Milestone School, Gloucester

**Grade:** Grade 6 pnts 15-20

**Contract:** Permanent

**Proposed start date:** ASAP (please note that we are unable to confirm the start

date until all pre-employment checks have been completed)

**Hours per week:** 32.5 hours (excluding 30 minutes unpaid lunch);

39 weeks per year (including INSET days)

**Holiday entitlement:** 24.5 days per year rising to 29.5 days after 5 years continuous

service

Closing date: 12 noon on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023

**Interview date:** 10<sup>th</sup> Febuary 2023

SAND Academies Trust was formed in June 2019. The name SAND encompasses the core values of the Trust 'Supporting Achievement and Nurturing Development'.

SAND Academies Trust consists of five schools:-Battledown Centre for Children & Families Belmont School Paternoster School The Milestone School Willow Primary Academy

Each school within the Trust maintains its own unique ethos, culture and identity that has been established over many years to ensure the needs of pupils are met. As a partnership we achieve more together and therefore:

- improve outcomes, opportunities and life chances for children and young people
- offer more / wider support for their families
- share and develop staff expertise

We are excited to offer an opportunity for a Grade 6 Learning Partner to join our friendly team located at The Milestone School, Gloucester. You must be willing to support and work at schools within the Trust as required.

You will be responsible for supporting teaching staff with their responsibility for the development and education of pupils, some of whom may have a wide range of special needs. It is essential that the successful applicant is qualified to level 3 Teaching Assistant (or similar – see below) and has proven experience in working with children and experience of supporting teaching and learning (under supervision)

Please see the job description for full details of the main duties and responsibilities.

## Why work for us?

By joining our team we can offer you:-

- Generous annual leave allowance (24.5 days) increasing after 5 years continuous service to 29.5 days
- Generous pension scheme (LGPS)
- access to an Employee Assistance Programme offering:
  - 24/7 telephone support on family and personal issues and information on how to manage finances
  - online services providing information, advice and articles for issues occurring in everyday life e.g. relationships, stress and health
  - counselling
- access to an Occupational Health Service offering a range of services including advice and support with returning to work after a long-term absence
- Continuing Professional Development (CPD): SAND take every employee's career seriously and believe in realising their full potential through training, development and career opportunities.
- Annual appraisals: staff are invited to discuss their wellbeing at work and any
  concerns they may have or issues they may face at their annual appraisal, as well
  as informally throughout the year
- Annual flu jabs: to eligible staff
- Cycle to work scheme
- a culture which promotes a diverse and inclusive work environment
- we are conveniently located close to the M5 with good transport links

For more information about the role and to arrange a visit, please contact The Milestone School. For more information about SAND Academies Trust, please visit www.sandmat.uk/vacancies/.

## Equality & Diversity:-

SAND Academies Trust aim to make our recruitment process as fair as possible and to ensure that every application is judged purely on its content we detach personal details from each application form before sending for shortlisting.

We welcome applications from all sections of the community and are proud to be registered as a Disability Confident Committed employer. We have made a positive commitment to employing disabled people and we guarantee to interview all disabled applicants who meet the minimum essential criteria for the role as set out in the person specification.

Please contact the applications team on 01452 923800 to request an alternative format if you are unable to complete an application online.

SAND Academies Trust is committed to Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share the same commitment. All staff will require pre-employment checks which include an enhanced DBS, satisfactory Health clearance and evidence of Right to Work in the UK. Applicants who have lived or worked overseas within the last 10 years must provide an equivalent

DBS certificate or Police clearance from the country that they resided or worked in. Prohibition checks will also be completed if necessary.