



# The Oratory R.C. Primary and Nursery School

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### **THE ORATORY R.C. PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL**

#### **LEVEL 3 TEACHING ASSISTANT**

#### **JOB DESCRIPTION**

The Oratory R.C. Primary and Nursery School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be requested to apply for Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).

**Post Title:** Teaching Assistant  
**Grade:** Grade 3  
**Hours:** Term Time Only  
**Responsible to:** Principal

#### **1. Job Purpose**

- 1.1 This level is applicable to experienced teaching assistants whose working role calls for competence across a varied range of responsibilities.
- 1.2 To support teaching staff in the development and education of pupils including the provision of specialist skills as appropriate.

#### **2. Duties (General)**

- 2.1 Support the activities of individuals or groups.
- 2.2 Establish and maintain relationships with individual pupils and groups.
- 2.3 Contribute to individual Education Plans as appropriate.
- 2.4 Support pupils during learning activities.
- 2.5 Promote pupils' social and emotional development.
- 2.6 Contribute to the health and well-being of pupils.
- 2.7 Provide support for bilingual/ multilingual pupils (where appropriate to the focus of the role).
- 2.8 Support children with specific needs (where appropriate to the focus of the role), for example, sensory and/ or physical impairment, cognitive or learning difficulties, behavioural, emotional and social development needs, communication and interaction difficulties.
- 2.9 Support pupils with literacy and numeracy skills.
- 2.10 Support pupils to access the curriculum.
- 2.11 Dealing with the personal care needs of children where appropriate in line with the guidance of the local authority.
- 2.12 Support students with personal care routines, including bathroom assistance, in accordance with school policies and individual care plans.

#### **Support for the teacher(s)**

- 2.13 Observe and report on pupil performance.
- 2.14 Support with completing smaller group interventions and ITPs as directed by the class teacher.
- 2.15 Participate in RWI Phonics and complete group interventions, as directed by the phonics lead.
- 2.16 Contribute to the planning and evaluation of learning activities including smaller group interventions and ITPs.
- 2.17 Assist in preparing and maintaining the learning environment.



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- 2.18 Contribute to the management of pupils' behaviour.
- 2.19 Contribute to maintaining pupils' records.
- 2.20 Support the maintenance of pupils' safety and security.
- 2.21 Provide short-term classroom cover in the absence of the class teacher, ensuring continuity of learning and supervision.
- 2.22 Undertake routine marking in line with school policy.
- 2.23 Provide general administrative support, for example, administer coursework, produce worksheets etc.

### **Support for the school**

- 2.24 Support the development and effectiveness of team work within the school environment.
- 2.25 Develop and maintain working relationships with other professionals.
- 2.26 Liaise with parents as appropriate.
- 2.27 Review and develop own professional practice.
- 2.28 Work as required across the curriculum and in all Key Stages within the school in accordance with the job.

### **Support for the curriculum**

- 2.29 Support the use of information and communication technology in the classroom.
- 2.30 Individuals have a responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people he/she is responsible for or comes into contact with.
- 2.31 To ensure their tasks are carried out with due regard to Health and Safety.
- 2.32 To participate in appropriate professional development including adhering to the principle of performance management.
- 2.33 To adhere to the ethos of the school
  - 2.33.1 To promote the agreed vision and aims of the school.
  - 2.33.2 To set an example of personal integrity and professionalism.
  - 2.33.3 Attendance at appropriate staff meetings and parents evenings
- 2.34 Any other duties as commensurate within the grade in order to ensure the smooth running of the school.



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### Person Specification

<b>Faith Commitment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A practising and committed Catholic or a strong commitment to the mission of a Catholic school, supporting its ethos and traditions.</li><li>• Understanding of the school's role in the parish and wider community and willingness to support</li></ul>
<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Essential</b>
<b>Experience</b> (Relevant work and other experience)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Experience of supporting children in a classroom environment, including those with special educational needs.</li><li>• Experience of using Information Technology to support pupils in the classroom.</li></ul>
<b>Skills and Abilities</b> (Eg: Written communication skills, dealing with stakeholders).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A good standard of education particularly in English and Mathematics.</li><li>• Knowledge of the legal and organisational requirements for maintaining the health, safety and security of yourself and others in the learning environment.</li><li>• Knowledge of SEN Code of Practice.</li><li>• Knowledge of strategies to recognise and reward efforts and achievements towards self-reliance that are appropriate to the age and development stage of the pupils.</li><li>• Ability to provide classroom cover – with agreed parameters – in the absence of the class teacher.</li><li>• Ability to consistently and effectively implement agreed behaviour management strategies.</li><li>• Ability to use language and other communication skills that pupils can understand and relate to.</li><li>• Ability to establish positive relationships with pupils and empathise with their needs.</li><li>• Ability to demonstrate active listening skills.</li><li>• Ability to provide levels of individual attention, reassurance and help with learning tasks as appropriate to pupils' needs, encouraging the pupils to stay on task</li><li>• Ability to monitor the pupils' response to the</li></ul>



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	<p>learning activities and, where appropriate, modify or adapt the activities as agreed with the teacher to achieve the intended learning outcomes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ability to carry out and report on systemic observations of pupils' knowledge understanding and skills.</li><li>• Ability to assist in the recording of lessons and assessment as required by the teacher.</li><li>• Ability to offer constructive feedback to pupils to reinforce self-esteem.</li><li>• Ability to work effectively and supportively as a member of the school team.</li><li>• Ability to work within and apply all school policies e.g. behaviour management, child protection, Health and Safety, Equal Opportunities.</li></ul>
<b>Education/Qualifications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NVQ Level 3 for Teaching Assistants or equivalent.</li></ul>
<b>Training</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Willingness to participate in further training and developmental opportunities offered by the school and county, to further knowledge.</li></ul>
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Willingness to maintain confidentiality on all school matters.</li></ul>