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**GHOST HILL INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL JOB DESCRIPTION**

**CLASS TEACHER**

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| **Line Managers job title:** | Headteacher |
| **Salary:** | MPS/UPS |
| **Tenure:** | Fixed Term Maternity Cover Contract |
| **Contract type:** | 52 weeks |
| **% of FTE** | 1.0FTE |

**THE POST**

Ghost Hill Infant & Nursery Schoolis a member of the Sapientia Education Trust (SET). SET is an expanding multi-academy trust with 10 primary and 7 secondary schools.

We are looking for a hard-working and enthusiastic person with high standards and the

ability to communicate and interact effectively with others as part of our school as a

**Maternity Cover KS1 Class Teacher.** The ideal candidate will have a proven record of excellent classroom practice, and a strong understanding of the importance of environment and provision in enabling learning.

The first six months of employment shall be a probationary period and employment may be terminated by the Trust during this period at any time on one week’s prior written notice. The Trust may, at its absolute discretion, extend this period for up to a further six months. During this probationary period, performance and suitability for continued employment will be monitored.

**PERSON SPECIFICATION**

The personal competencies expected of the Class Teacher are:

* Be an innovative, independent thinker with the capacity for strategic thinking;
* Be creative and proactive in finding solutions;
* Be flexible and adaptive to changing needs and priorities;
* Be resilient, empathetic, calm and professional under pressure;
* Be insightful and analytical with good problem-solving skills;
* Have excellent inter-personal and communication skills and evidence of being able to build and sustain effective working relationships with staff, children, parents/carers and the wider community;
* Be a self-reflective practitioner who always seeks to improve;
* See the ‘big picture’ in relation to whole school priorities & improvement;
* Able to reason their educational philosophy, in tune with the school ethos;
* Be willing to contribute to the extra-curricular life of the school;
* Possess a sense of humour;
* Have the ability to inspire and enthuse staff and children about learning;
* Passion for working with primary aged children;
* Be highly self-motivated, able to energise and motivate others;
* Be insightful and understanding of national, international and research developments relevant to teaching and learning in their subject.

The personal competencies expected of the Class Teacher are**:**

* Be an Outstanding Teacher (or have the potential to be) with evidence of impact on pupil outcomes with a proven track record of total commitment to helping every pupil achieve their very best and make progress;
* Have excellent understanding of what constitutes excellence in teaching and learning;
* Have a keen understanding of data and be able to analyse patterns in performance over time;
* Be a positive role model for pupils and staff on a day-to-day basis;
* Collaborate effectively with staff, parents/carers and students;
* The ability to communicate clearly and tactfully using appropriate methods and

an awareness of the impact of your own communication on others;

* Able to maintain positive relationships with all and able to work as an effective and

flexible part of a team; willing to change methods of work and routines to benefit

the team;

* Be able to multi-task and work under pressure;
* Be flexible and resilient in managing and executing their daily responsibilities;
* Able to demonstrate strong planning and organisational skills;
* Willingness to accept responsibility for your own actions;
* The ability to prioritise effectively, meet deadlines and accept challenges;
* Excite and engage visitors about the school at open evenings and all other events;
* Have very high expectations of the learning of all children at all times;
* Make effective use of IT.

The qualifications and experience required of the Class Teacher are:

* Have a qualified teacher status

**JOB SPECIFICATION**

**General Responsibilities**

The Class Teacher is responsible for using their skill, experience and best endeavors and in accordance with Teachers’ Standards. A contribution to the wider life of the school is an expectation of all staff, for example by supporting the extra-curricular activities within the school.

**Specific Responsibilities**

A non-exhaustive list of specific responsibilities for the role is below and you will be required to undertake other duties and responsibilities as may reasonably be required.

**Planning**

* Maintain high expectations of pupil behaviour, demonstrating a high level of discipline through positive and productive relationships and well-focused teaching.
* Assist in the development of schemes of work, teaching resources, marking policies and teaching strategies alongside other teachers and the subject lead.
* Assist in the development of the subject curriculum, ensuring the continued relevance to the needs of pupils.
* Identify clear teaching objectives, content, and lesson structures, and plan sequences of lessons appropriate to the subject content and the pupils being taught.
* Set appropriate and demanding expectations for pupils’ learning, setting clear targets for pupils’ learning based on prior attainment.
* Identify pupils who have additional educational needs and adapt lesson planning to cater for these needs.
* Incorporate the use of resources into lesson plans, ensuring that equipment is in good working order and suitable for teaching use, and that resources are used effectively:
* To carry out any other appropriate tasks as requested by the Headteacher

**Teaching**

* Implement and deliver an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated curriculum for the specified subject area, building on pupils’ prior knowledge.
* Deliver lessons appropriate to pupils’ different abilities and educational needs, ensuring that they are all able to progress to their potential.
* Provide and contribute to oral and written assessments, reports and references relating to individual pupils and groups of pupils.
* Mark and monitor pupils’ class and homework regularly, providing constructive oral and written feedback.
* Use assessments of pupils’ progress to inform future teaching.
* Prepare informative and constructive written reports for parents which identify how each pupil is performing, and how they can improve within the classroom.
* Share and support the school’s duty to provide and monitor opportunities for personal and academic growth.

**Managing pupils**

* Adhere to the processes outlined in the school’s Behaviour Policy, ensuring that any poor levels of behaviour are dealt with appropriately.
* Through effective teaching, ensure that pupils are challenged and that best use is made of teaching time to promote good levels of behaviour.
* Employ a range of teaching methods to keep pupils engaged, e.g. through effective questioning, clear presentation and use of resources.

The post-holder will be required to comply with the Trust Code of Conduct. The post holder will have access to and be responsible for confidential information and documentation. They must ensure confidential or sensitive material is handled appropriately and accurately.

The post holder shall participate in the Trust’s programme of Performance Management and Continuing Professional Development.

**HOURS OF WORK**

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| Paid Weeks per year | 52 weeks |
| Hours per week | Full time |
| Normal working Pattern | 1. FTE   Monday - Friday |
| Holidays | Holiday pay entitlement is included in the pro rata salary for the post and there is no entitlement to take holidays during term-time. |

The post-holder will be auto enrolled to join the Teachers pension scheme.

**DRESS CODE**

The post-holder will be expected to wear appropriate business attire. All staff will be supplied with appropriate Staff ID. This must be worn at all times to ensure that students, staff and visitors are able to identify employees.

**PRE-EMPLOYMENT CHECKS**

Sapientia Education Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

All staff must be prepared to undergo several vetting checks to confirm their suitability to work with children and young people. The Trust reserves the right to withdraw offers of employment where checks or references are deemed to be unsatisfactory.