**St John’s Primary School**

**Part time SEN Teacher - MPS**

**Job description and person specification**

At St John’s Primary School we are excited to be creating an additional class to support 8- 10 SEN pupils within Key Stage 2. The aim is to support these pupils with complex social, emotional and academic needs in a small group, with the aim of them being successful in mainstream education.

We are looking for a class teacher who has an interest in, or experience of, teaching pupils with SEN. The teacher will work closely with class teachers, SENCo and TAs to plan and deliver a bespoke curriculum for the class to include English and maths as well as a strong focus on nurture, emotional regulation, reducing anxiety and social skills. We will allocate 2 TAs to support in the class and ensure specific planning time is provided for this team. The children will rejoin their current classes for the afternoon sessions, enabling them to learn alongside their peers for certain lessons and remain a part of the cohort.

Our aims are that through this enhanced provision, the children:

* will become more confident in themselves and their abilities
* will experience reduced anxiety
* will be able to access learning with greater independence
* will be able to regulate their emotions
* can learn in small steps according to their needs
* will be given regular movement / sensory breaks
* will be taught the skills to be able to manage the ‘fear of failure’
* will be better prepared for Upper Key Stage 2 and eventually secondary school

**SEN teacher’s responsibilities:**

Teaching

1. To set clear learning objectives and plan for the class across the week.
2. To use data, external advice and assessment materials to inform planning.
3. To set clear and consistent expectations for behaviour.
4. To set up a nurturing, safe and engaging environment within the classroom.
5. To work collaboratively with the teaching assistants within the classroom and ensure a consistency of approach.
6. To work collaboratively with afternoon class teachers to ensure the key strategies/ approaches are consistent.
7. To work with SLT/ SENCo/ external agencies in developing and delivering bespoke learning plans for individuals, this may include pupil passports and profiles, behaviour plans, speech and language plans.
8. To work closely with parents/carers and the Virtual School.
9. To ensure that learning is meaningful, practical and engaging for all of the children.
10. Follow school policies and procedures.

Personal Skills

* Sense of humour
* Excellent interpersonal skills
* Innovative, problem solver
* A positive ‘can do’ approach
* Enthusiastic and passionate about teaching
* Warm and approachable to parents
* Evaluative and reflective
* Ability to learn from others in the team and to provide support as necessary.
* Ability to be flexible and implement new initiatives

We can offer:

* A supportive environment and team who believe that all children can
* Opportunities to work alongside an Educational Psychologist to help ensure the provision is working well and that the children are accessing the correct provision.
* Opportunities to work with the SALT, Communication and Interaction Team and to access training where possible.
* Dedicated planning time with staff within the provision and SENCo.
* Opportunities to share good practice within the school, OPEN academy trust and as appropriate with other local schools.

We expect this role to start in September 2021 and be 0.5 FTE over 4 mornings, approx. 16.25 hours. Exact hours to be confirmed.

We would be happy to talk to you about our school; please make an appointment by phoning on: 01491 837305.

Closing date: Friday 09 July 2021

Website: <http://stjohnswallingford.org.uk/>

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