JOB DESCRIPTION

POST: Teacher of Primary aged children

SCHOOL: St Helena's Church of England Primary School

Job Purpose

To carry out the professional duties of a teacher as circumstances may require and in accordance with the school's policies under the direction of the head teacher

Areas of Responsibility and Key Tasks:

Planning, Teaching and Class Management

Teach allocated pupils by planning their learning to achieve progression through:

- identifying clear teaching objectives and specifying how they will be taught and assessed;
- setting tasks which challenge pupils and ensure high levels of interest;
- setting appropriate and demanding expectations;
- setting clear targets, building on prior attainment
- identifying and supporting SEND and very able pupils;
- providing clear structures for lessons maintaining pace, motivation and challenge;
- making effective use of assessment and ensuring coverage of programmes of study;
- ensuring effective teaching and best use of available time;
- maintaining discipline in accordance with the school's procedures and encouraging good practice with regard to punctuality, behaviour, standards of work and homework;
- using a variety of teaching methods to match approach to content, structure information, present a set of key ideas and use appropriate vocabulary
- use effective questioning, listen carefully to pupils, give attention to errors and misconceptions
- select appropriate learning resources and develop the Basic Skills of reading, writing and mathematics through Technology and other sources;
- ensuring pupils acquire and consolidate knowledge, skills and understanding appropriate to the subject taught;
- evaluating own teaching critically to improve effectiveness;
- ensuring the effective and efficient deployment of teaching assistants
- taking account of pupils' needs by providing structured learning opportunities which develop the areas of learning identified in national and local policies and particularly the foundations for literacy and numeracy;
- encouraging pupils to think and talk about their learning, develop self control and independence, concentrate and persevere, and listen attentively;
- use a variety of teaching strategies which involve planned adult intervention, first-hand experience, structured play and talk as a vehicle for learning.

Monitoring, Assessment, Recording, Reporting

- assess how well learning objectives have been achieved and use them to improve specific aspects of teaching;
- mark and monitor pupils' work and set targets for progress;
- assess and record pupils' progress systematically and keep records to check work is understood and completed, monitor strengths and weaknesses, inform planning and recognise the level at which the pupil is achieving;
- undertake assessment of pupils as requested by school procedures;
- prepare and present informative reports to parents.

Curriculum Development

- Have lead responsibility for an aspect of the school's work and develop plans which identify clear targets and success criteria for its development and/or maintenance;
- Contribute to the whole school's planning activities and attend all staff meetings and professional development days.

Wider School Life

- Play an active, nurturing role with all the children and families throughout the school
- Embrace and support the wider school team
- Take part in the school's daily Collective Worship

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, each individual task undertaken may not be identified.

Employees will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from the Head to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description.

This post is subject to the current conditions of employment for Class Teachers contained in the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document, the 1998 School Standards and Framework Act, the required standards for Qualified Teacher Status and Class Teachers and other current legislation.

This job description may be amended at any time following discussion between the head teacher and member of staff, and will be reviewed regularly through the school's Appraisal process.