



**Truro and Penwith  
Academy Trust**

## Vacancy Information Pack

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| <b>School Name:</b> | Kennall Vale School |
| <b>Job Title:</b>   | Teaching Assistant  |

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## Kennall Vale School

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| <b>Job Title:</b>                          | SEN Teaching Assistant   |
| <b>Pay Point / Pay Range:</b>              | TPAT Point 4   |
| <b>Full Time Equivalent Annual Salary:</b> | £22,361 (if paid over 52 weeks) pro rata   |
| <b>Actual Annual Salary for this Role:</b> | £15,828  |
| <b>Contract Type:</b>                      | Permanent  |
| <b>Hours Per Week / Weeks Per Year</b>     | Hours – 31.25 hours per week<br>Working Weeks – 39 working weeks<br>Paid Weeks – 43.699 paid weeks |
| <b>Closing Date:</b>                       | 26/11/24   |
| <b>Proposed Shortlisting Date:</b>         | 27/11/24   |
| <b>Proposed Interview Date:</b>            | 2/12/24  |

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| To find out more about [insert school name], please visit:  | <a href="http://www.kennall-vale.cornwall.sch.uk">www.kennall-vale.cornwall.sch.uk</a>                                     |
| To discuss this position please contact the Headteacher:  | Email – <a href="mailto:kennallvale@tpacademytrust.org">kennallvale@tpacademytrust.org</a><br>Telephone – 01872 863672     |
| Application packs can be downloaded from:   | <a href="http://www.tpacademytrust.org/web/application_pack/604811">www.tpacademytrust.org/web/application_pack/604811</a> |
| Please email your completed application form and equality & diversity monitoring form by the closing date to: | <a href="mailto:kennallvale@tpacademytrust.org">kennallvale@tpacademytrust.org</a>   |

Please note that successful candidates will be informed via email.

*The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, workers, volunteers, governors and trustees to share this commitment. All successful applicants will be subject to appropriate pre-employment checks and will be required to complete a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Enhanced Check, a Safeguarding Self-Declaration Form and satisfactory online searches undertaken.*

| <b>School Information for Applicants</b> |  |
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| <b>School Address:</b>                   | Kennall Vale School, Park Crescent, Ponsanooth, TR3 7HY                                |
| <b>School Telephone Number:</b>          | 01872 863672   |
| <b>School Email Address:</b>             | <a href="mailto:kennallvale@tpacademytrust.org">kennallvale@tpacademytrust.org</a>     |
| <b>Name of Headteacher:</b>              | Tamsin Cocks   |
| <b>Website Address:</b>                  | <a href="http://www.kennall-vale.cornwall.sch.uk">www.kennall-vale.cornwall.sch.uk</a> |



## **Welcome to Our School**

This information pack will provide you with an insight into our school and offer some practical information which will be of use to you as a prospective member of our school community.

We are looking to appoint a SEND Teaching Assistant to join the team at Kennall Vale School, starting as soon as possible, supporting the provision of children with SEND. The role is a fixed term contract until 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025. The position is 31.25 hours a week, 8:30am-15:15pm, Monday - Friday.

We are seeking to appoint a person who is enthusiastic, hardworking and committed to the ethos of Kennall Vale School. The role is primarily to support the delivery of provision as set out in children's Individual Education Plans and Educational Health Care plans.

Experience of working within Primary education is essential and recent knowledge and skills in areas of SEND such as Speech and Language and Cognition and Learning is desirable.

Developing a positive and nurturing relationship with all children is key, so the successful candidate will be warm, child-centred and know how to get the best out of the young people they are working with.

Application closing date: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

All appointments are subject to a 6 month probation period.

Our School enjoys working collaboratively with our partner schools within Truro and Penwith Academy Trust.

We welcome visitors as this is the best way to see our lovely school, experience our creative and captivating curriculum and meet our motivated and engaged children. Please phone the school telephone number provided if you would like to arrange to look around.

## General Background

Welcome to Kennall Vale School – a small village Primary school serving Ponsanooth near Truro. We are on the A393 Redruth – Falmouth road, close to the Kennall Vale Nature reserve, a picturesque river valley containing the remains of Kennall Vale Gunpowder Works. Kennall Vale School opened in new, purpose built premises in 1993 and, since then, has been extended and completely refurbished. The school has 5 classrooms, and at present 132 pupils on roll organised into mixed-age classes.

At Kennall Vale, we believe in nurturing the whole child in a supportive and vibrant community. Our school is more than just a place of learning; it is a home away from home where every child is valued and encouraged to reach their full potential. Our core values 'Kennall Vale CARES' are Community, Aspiration, Respect, Excellence, and Success are at the heart of everything we do.

## Class Organisation

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## Staff Organisation

[https://www.kennall-vale.cornwall.sch.uk/web/our\\_staff/626637](https://www.kennall-vale.cornwall.sch.uk/web/our_staff/626637)

## Our Curriculum

At Kennall Vale, our intent is to create a truly collaborative learning environment where students, staff, and parents work together to unlock the full potential of every child. Through our Collaborative Curriculum, we aim to equip students with the skills and values they need for success beyond school - focusing on creativity, critical thinking, effective communication, and adaptability. We have been working with the Arts Council, Exeter University, and Penryn College to engage in this exciting 'Creativity Collaboratives' programme - enhancing our students' educational journey, fostering a sense of curiosity and community.

We believe in nurturing creativity as a vital skill, not only in the arts but across all disciplines. Our curriculum is designed to encourage students to think outside the box, solve problems, and embrace new ideas with resilience and confidence.

## Safeguarding

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## Application Information

We hope that you find this pack provides all of the information you need in order to consider your application for the post. Should you have any questions or matters you would like to discuss informally, or to arrange a visit, please contact:

Contact Name:

Catherine Goward

Contact Email Address:

kennallvale@tpacademytrust.org

Contact Telephone Number: 01872 863672

Please note that CVs will not be accepted.

Application packs can be downloaded from: [www.tpacademytrust.org/web/application\\_pack/604811](http://www.tpacademytrust.org/web/application_pack/604811)

Closing Date: 26th November 2024

Completed applications must be returned to the email address above and be received by 12 Midnight on the closing date provided.

Interview Date(s): 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024

To ensure the fairness of the selection process, shortlisting will be based upon information which you provide in your application, and assumptions will not be made about your experience or skills. We will look for demonstrable evidence that you meet the criteria set out in the person specification.

If we have not contacted you within 14 days of the closing date, it is unlikely that you have been shortlisted on this occasion. Many thanks for your interest in this post.