WHITBURN CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

NOR: 1230, 11-19 Mixed Anglican Comprehensive



Special Educational Needs Support Assistant Required

Full time post: 37 hours per week, Term Time only + 5 days

NJC SCP 12 £28,597 p.a. pro rata

We are seeking to appoint a suitably qualified Special Educational Needs Support Assistant (SSA) who will be able to support the learning of students in one to one, small group and whole class situations.

We are looking for a team player with first class communication skills. They must be committed to delivering an outstanding and inclusive education for our students. Excellent interpersonal and organizational skills are essential. Experience of working with young people with additional needs is essential. We would particularly welcome applications from colleagues with a background in working with young people with Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs. This post would suit an HLTA looking to develop their existing skills.

This is an exciting opportunity to join one of the North East's highest achieving schools; our motto 'Excellence for All' is at the heart of our work. We have a strong focus on learning and teaching; offering many opportunities for advancement. Our SEND provision has rightly been commended by OFSTED who point out that 'Pupils with SEND are fully involved with the life of the school and achieve well.'

Based in a stunning coastal location, with a growing Sixth Form provision, where progress ranks in the top 6% nationally, we are rightly proud of the opportunities we offer for pupils and staff. Our ethos as an Anglican academy is entirely inclusive and no faith based pupil admission criteria are applied.

Please see the Job Description and Person Specification for further details.

The closing date is noon on Wednesday 12th November 2025.

Application packs are available from the academy website www.whitburncofeacademy.org or main office. Hard copies should be returned to Whitburn Church of England Academy, Whitburn, Sunderland, SR6 7EF, Tel. (0191) 529 3712, e-mail office@whitburncofeacademy.org

Whitburn Church of England Academy is an Equal Opportunities Employer and operates a no smoking policy. The Academy is strongly committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. The successful applicant will be required to obtain an Enhanced Certificate of Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and will be subject to a range of other pre-recruitment checks. Please note that, without exception, written references will be taken up and made available to the Governing Body BEFORE the final selection stage.