Job vacancy details for SENDCo (Cherry Tree Hill) and Director of SEND

Employer The Odyssey Collaborative Trust

Location Cherry Tree Hill Primary School and across the Trust

Salary Competitive

Hours 0.6 FTE (Cherry Tree Hill) + 0.2 to 0.4 FTE (Trust Wide)

Contract Type Permanent

This is an exciting dual role, working at Cherry Tree Hill and across our trust of seven schools.

For three days a week the successful applicant will be SENDCo at Cherry Tree Hill, a large three form entry primary school with nursery. For one or two days a week (to be agreed with the person appointed) they will be supporting SENDCos across the Odyssey Collaborative Trust's seven schools as Director of SEND.

About the Cherry Tree Hill SENDCo role

Are you an experienced SENCo looking to develop your skills further in a dynamic and supportive environment? Cherry Tree Hill Primary School is the place for you! Our school is led by an established, supportive, fun senior leadership team fostering a positive and inclusive atmosphere.

Cherry Tree Hill Primary School is inviting applications for a permanent SENCo position. This role is ideal for an experienced SENCo who is looking to develop their skills further in a large primary school and have a significant impact across the entire trust. The appointed person will be a key member of the school's Senior Leadership Team, providing an excellent opportunity for career development and gaining valuable experience in this area.

We offer excellent outdoor provision, enriching and engaging children's learning experiences. Our award-winning safeguarding practices ensure the safety and well-being of all our children. We are proud to have achieved a gold award for sports provision, highlighting our commitment to promoting physical education and healthy lifestyles.

As a proud member of the Derby City Inclusion Charter and the Global Schools Alliance, Cherry Tree Hill is dedicated to fostering an inclusive and globally-minded community. Our core values of 'be safe, be caring, be a learner' are at the heart of everything we do, guiding our mission to inspire success for every child.

About the Director of SEND role

This is an exciting opportunity to support SENDCos across the Trust and have a positive impact on a large number of pupils. Our aim as a Trust is to help our pupils, colleagues and community thrive and this role will play a big part in achieving this

vision. The successful candidate will have a role that is both strategic across our organisation, but also work with SENDCos in each school to support them in getting the best provision possible for our SEND pupils.

Odyssey Collaborative Trust has five primary schools (including Cherry Tree Hill) and two junior schools, all with Derby City. We have an enhanced resource facility at one school which will be doubling in size in the next year, plus a new facility opening soon at Borrow Wood. Both of these are for pupils with autism. All seven of the Trust's schools are in close proximity to each other making collaboration and trust-wide working easier.

We know that there has never been a harder time to be a SENDCo, so we are looking to build our capacity to support them in the work they do. We are looking for an experienced SENDCo who has can support others to provide the best possible provision for pupils with SEND.

We are also looking for a colleague who will build links with local agencies. Again, our schools being located near each other is helpful as we work with same organisations. We are the largest Derby-only schools trust and so we play a significant role in working with our civic partners to achieve great outcomes for Derby children and families.

Odyssey Collaborative Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Successful appointments are subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check and relevant recruitment checks that comply with guidance in the most recent version of Keeping Children Safe in Education. We are committed to equality of opportunity in employment and services.

Please submit a covering letter to accompany your application form, detailing how you meet the requirements laid out in the Person Specification, and how you envisage the area of SEND developing at Cherry Tree Hill and Odyssey Collaborative trust to h.hassall@odysseyct.org.uk

We understand how big a decision this is and therefore we strongly encourage you to visit our us, meet the headteacher and also speak to our CEO about the role. To arrange a visit, please contact Holly Hassall h.hassall@odysseyct.org.uk

Closing date for applications: 3rd April at 9am.

Interview Date: 24th April