

Job Description

Post: Senior Leader and EYFS/KS1 Class Teacher

Line Manager: Headteacher

Overall job purpose

In addition to classroom responsibilities, the Senior Leader will be a member of the school's leadership team and take full part in the decision making and effective running of the school.

Key functions as the Senior Leader

Vision and leadership

- To share, articulate and promote the school's vision for the curriculum, values, behaviour and personal development.
- In conjunction with the Headteacher to support in the planning, monitoring and evaluation process of school priorities in the School Improvement Plan.

Leadership and management

- To inspire, motivate and influence staff and children to ensure a high quality of education for all.
- Demonstrate the school vision in your everyday work and practice.
- To ensure the overall efficient and effective operation of the school, particularly on days when the Headteacher is not on site.
- Motivate and work with others to create a shared culture and positive climate.
- To support the Headteacher to ensure that staff manage pupil behaviour effectively and positively according to the policies and procedures of the school.
- To support and develop the staff, in particular as part of the appraisal process, to enable staff to reach their potential and to access CPD both individually and as a team.
- To inspire, motivate and influence pupils to achieve their full potential.
- To monitor and support the well-being of children and their families.
- To focus on disadvantaged pupils to ensure that there are effective interventions to enable those students to achieve their potential.
- To promote good attendance by supporting the Headteacher in monitoring attendance and the implementation of the policy.
- To contribute to the development, implementation and evaluation of the school's policies, practices and procedures in such a way as to support the school's values and vision.
- To promote high standards of literacy, articulacy and the correct use of Standard English for staff and pupils.
- Support the Headteacher in developing and maintaining high morale, well-being and confidence amongst all staff and set an example of high professional standards and leadership.



The wider school community

- To encourage the involvement of parents, carers and the community in the life of the school.
- To support families with well-being and parenting skills.

Networking

• To collaborate with other leaders within the school, and with CSET, local and regional networks and clusters

Subject Leadership

- To model good practice by demonstrating strong subject leadership
- To keep up to date with developments in the education field and in particular within subject specialisms

Teaching

- Foster high standards of learning and achievement across the curriculum for all pupils regardless of background, ethnicity, gender or disability.
- Ensure effective learning of whole classes, groups and individuals so that learning objectives are met, momentum and challenge are maintained, and best use is made of learning time.
- Use teaching methods which keep pupils engaged, including stimulating pupils' intellectual curiosity, effective questioning and response, clear presentation and good use of resources.
- Actively engage with parents to encourage their involvement with their child's education.
- Plan and deliver a broad-based curriculum in line with the EYFS framework, National Curriculum and the school's policies.
- Create a stimulating, well-organised and purposeful learning environment, keeping classroom and shared areas tidy at all times.
- Encourage the good conduct and behaviour of the children both in the classroom and around school through the successful implementation of the school's behaviour policy.
- Actively reinforce the ethos within school, which positively encourages high expectations and selfesteem
- Demonstrate a strong commitment to your own professional development including your participation in the school's performance management system.
- Develop and maintain good relationships with pupils, parents, colleagues, and outside agencies.
- Implement the school's policies on assessment and record keeping; marking work, setting targets and reporting progress on pupil attainment.
- Take an active part in the school's system of self-review and development.
- Undertake basic administrative tasks required; to attend assemblies and meetings, and to carry out other duties as reasonably requested by the school.
- Be responsible for the leadership, development and improvement of a subject area (excluding NQTs)
- Use data to identify children at risk of not making progress and make adjustments to planning and intervention groups appropriately.
- Lead and deploy teaching assistants effectively to support pupil achievement.
- Have high expectations of all aspects of work.



Health and Safety

- To promote the safety and well-being of pupils.
- Be responsible for the day to day implementation of the Health and Safety Policy

Safeguarding

- To take on the responsibility of Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.
- Take a lead role in implementing the school safeguarding and child protection policies and procedures.
- Ensure that everyone working or volunteering with or for children understands the safeguarding and child protection policy and procedures and knows what to do if they have concerns about a child's welfare.
- Monitor CPOMS daily and respond immediately to concerns logged
- Work in collaboration with the Designated Safeguarding Lead.
- Liaise with the Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Attend current training as appropriate

Management of staff and resources

- To direct and supervise support staff and, where appropriate, other teachers.
- To contribute to the recruitment, selection, appointment and professional development of other teachers and support staff.
- To deploy resources delegated to you.

Professional development

- To participate in arrangements for the appraisal and review of your own performance and where appropriate that of other teachers and support staff.
- To participate in arrangements for your own further training and professional development and, where appropriate, that of other teachers and support staff including induction.

Communication

• To communicate effectively with pupils, staff, parents and carers.

Working with colleagues and other relevant professionals

To collaborate and work with colleagues and other professionals within and beyond the school.

Special notes or conditions

• All employees are under a legal obligation not to use or disclose any personal information that comes into their possession in the course of their duties in any unauthorised manner.



Senior Leader - Person Specification

Qualification & Training	Essential	Desirable
Qualified Teacher Status	√	
Evidence of commitment to relevant professional learning	✓	
Knowledge & Experience		
Experience of working in KS1 for more than 3 years	✓	
Experience of Subject Leadership	✓	
Successful experience of raising achievement	✓	
Successful experience of leading teams		✓
A thorough knowledge of current educational issues	✓	
A thorough knowledge of child protection procedures	✓	
Ability to use ICT effectively to support learning and to support whole	✓	
school processes		
Personal Qualities		
Passionately committed to inclusive education	✓	
Values driven and clear about the moral imperative of school	✓	
leadership		
Driven to secure school improvement	✓	
Evidence of strategic thinking and clarity of vision	✓	
Ability to plan, organise and delegate effectively	✓	
Ability to work effectively under pressure, to meet deadlines and pay	✓	
attention to detail		
Ability to both lead and participate in school self-review and	✓	
monitoring activities		
High expectation of self and others	✓	
A team player	✓	
Ability to lead change, to be creative and innovative	✓	
Ability to communicate skilfully, both verbally and in writing, to a wide	✓	
range of audiences		
Excellent presentation and public speaking skills	✓	
Collaborative, and able to build networks and learning communities	✓	
Ability to inspire and motivate staff and pupils	✓	
Reflective practitioner, able to adapt and respond to changing	✓	
priorities		
Ability to effectively line manage staff and get the best out of them	√	
A positive role model to staff and pupils	√	
Able to demonstrate suitability to work with children and young	✓	
people		
Able to demonstrate a commitment to safeguarding and promoting	✓	
the welfare of children and young people		
An open, warm and optimistic disposition, able to forge positive	✓	
relationships		
Resilient and flexible	√	
The ability to keep things in perspective	✓	