LADY ZIA WERNHER SCHOOL



JOB DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Class Teacher

SCHOOL: Lady Zia Wernher School

GRADE: MPR – UPR + SEN Allowance

PURPOSE OF POST:

The post holder has teacher commitment in the Lady Zia Wernher School in Foundation/KS1/KS2. The teacher will contribute to the School Improvement Plan, supporting the ethos, aims and vision of the school, working collaboratively to provide a learning environment where children are challenged and every individual is valued and supported by high quality teaching.

ORGANISATION CHART:

Headteacher/Key Stage Leader/SENCO

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Class Teacher
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Teaching Assistants

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PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES

A class teacher will have responsibility for the education and well-being of a group of pupils in accordance with the provision of the current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document, having due regard for the requirements of the National Curriculum, the wider curriculum, the school's vision and values, and any required policies of the Governing Body. To perform and develop abilities in line with Teacher Standards (DfE 2012).

MAIN PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- To teach a class group of pupils with a range of complex learning needs.
- To ensure that all pupils are offered a broad, balanced and appropriate curriculum in accordance with the school's Curriculum and Teaching & learning polices.
- To plan and complete individual education plans, keeping regular records, and reviewing pupil progress in relation to stated educational targets in line with the school's policies and procedures.
- To prepare reports for Annual Review for EHCP, summaries and assessment purposes, and to maintain an individual pupil file in their class.
- To adhere to school guidelines and requirements relating to planning, record keeping, assessment and reporting.
- To have a general responsibility for the well-being of pupils and refer to their team leader in matters of concern.
- To provide a stimulating, appropriate and welcoming classroom environment.
- To organise and maintain classroom and school resources and equipment.
- To lead a team of teaching assistants, directing and supporting their duties, preparing timetables, and ensuring that they have appropriate understanding of each pupil's needs and of the teaching programmes and methods in place.
- To be included in playground duties as required.

- To promote the school's commitment to pupil participation in all aspects of their school life.
- To encourage and welcome contact with parents and carers, endeavouring to ensure that such relationships are supportive, informative and helpful to them.
- To work in partnership with colleagues, team members, other professionals and agencies.
- To participate in staff meetings and school based inset.
- To maintain effective CPD and share knowledge gained with members of the staff team as appropriate.
- To participate in the Statutory Performance Management arrangements.
- To contribute to the production and implementation of the School Improvement Plan.
- To promote the use of alternative methods of communication within the classroom and specialist strategies, ensuring that support staff are aware of this requirement and helped to gain the relevant skill.
- To maintain good order and a proper level of behaviour management in their classroom and adhere to all Health & Safety rules and procedures.
- To be prepared to work in any area of the school.
- To be a curriculum/ learning needs leader across the whole school, monitoring progression and impact on pupil outcomes. This can include consulting with colleagues and feeding back to the Senior Leadership Team.
- To undertake other reasonable duties as may be directed by the Head teacher.

Qualifications and Experience

- QTS.
- Appropriate Special Education endorsements or licensure.
- Experience in educating special needs students.
- Proven effective classroom and student behaviour management skills.
- Knowledge of current special education practices and methodologies.
- Knowledge and understanding of State, local and federal regulations and policies affecting special education.
- Working knowledge of educational technology applications.

DIMENSIONS:

Financial Resources

Class Budget Responsibility aspect Budget

CONTEXT:

All staff are part of a whole school team. They are required to support the values and ethos of the school and school priorities as defined in the School Improvement Plan and contribute to the development of a purposeful working atmosphere. They are required to support and follow all relevant school policies including those for behaviour management and child protection. This will mean focusing on the needs of colleagues, parents and pupils and being flexible in a busy pressurised environment. They contribute to the H&S and cleanliness of the classroom environment. They should be involved in leading others in the acceptance and inclusion of pupils with special educational needs. They might also be involved in the assisting of pupils for whom English is an additional language.

Physical Effort: The job will involve lifting of children and equipment on a regular basis. Training will be provided.

Working Environment: There will be the requirement to deal with vomit and bodily fluids when children are unwell or when following care plans.

DBS

Because of the nature of this job, it will be necessary for an Enhanced criminal record disclosure to be undertaken. Therefore, it is essential in making your application you disclose whether you have any pending charges, convictions, bind-overs or cautions and, if so, for which offences. This post will be exempt from the provisions of Section 4 (2) of the Rehabilitation of Offenders 1974 (Exemptions) (Amendments) Order 1986. Therefore, applicants are not entitled to withhold information about convictions which for other purposes are 'spent' under the provision of the Act, and, in the event of the employment being taken up, any failure to disclose such convictions will result in dismissal or disciplinary action by the Authority. The fact that a pending charge, conviction, bind-over or caution has been recorded against you will not necessarily debar you from consideration for this appointment.

Disclosures are handled in accordance with the DBS Code of Practice which can be accessed from the Children and Learning Department, HR Division, or on www.disclosure.gov.uk.

This post is classified 'regulated activity' in accordance with the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006. You must register with the Independent Safeguarding Authority, and have your registered status confirmed by Luton Borough council, in order to undertake this post.

'The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

CVs will not be accepted for any posts in schools.

Person Specification

This acts as selection criteria and gives an outline of the types of person and the characteristics required to do the job.

Essential (E):- without which candidate would be rejected. Desirable (D):- useful for choosing between two good

_candidates.				
Please make sure, when completing your application form, you give <u>clear examples</u> of how you meet the <u>essential and desirable</u> criteria.				
Attributes	Essential	How Measured	Desirable	How Measured
Experience	Demonstrable experience of teaching children with Special Educational Needs.	1,2		
Skills/Abilities	Able to communicate with a variety of stakeholders (e.g. colleagues, parents, external agencies).	1,2	Able to coach and mentor others	1,2
	Able to use IT to support both the curriculum and work organisation.	1,2		
	Able to work as part of, and contribute to, a whole-school, multi- disciplinary team.	1,2		
	Able to monitor and evaluate teaching and learning.	1,2		
	Able to identify the necessary resources which ensure high quality teaching and learning.	1,2		
	Able to assess the needs of individuals to inform lesson planning.	1,2 ,5		
	Able to deliver high quality lessons, evaluate the impact of these and develop future planning accordingly.	5		
Equality Issues	Demonstrable commitment to inclusive teaching and learning.	2,5		
	Awareness of the effects of discrimination on pupils, parents and colleagues.	1,2		
Competencies	Able to demonstrate the appropriate motivation to work with young people.	1,2		
	Able to form appropriate relationships with young people.	1,2		
	Emotional resilience in working with challenging behaviours.	1,2		
	Appropriate attitudes to the use of authority and maintaining discipline.	1,2		
Specialist Knowledge	Subject/KS, curriculum knowledge.	1,2 ,5		
Education and Training	Qualified Teacher Status	4		
	Evidence of onging cpd	1,2		

(1 = Application Form 2 = Interview 3 = Test 4 = Proof of Qualification 5 = Practical Exercise)

We will consider any reasonable adjustments under the terms of the Disability Discrimination Act (1995), to enable an applicant with a disability (as defined under the Act) to meet the requirements of the post.

The Job-holder will ensure that Luton Borough Council's policies are reflected in all aspects of his/her work, in particular those relating to:

- (i) Equal Opportunities
- (ii) Health and Safety
- (iii) Data Protection Act (1984 & 1998).

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