

The Avenue School Job Description

Specialist Assistant for Physical Development (PD)

Line Manager: Deputy Headteacher: Quality of Education

Pay: Specialist TA Pay

Purpose of Post

The Specialist Assistant for Physical Development will assume responsibility alongside the subject lead for maintaining the standards of delivery and attainment of physical development across the school. The Specialist Assistant for Physical Development will promote and model excellent practice at all times and support other colleagues in the delivery, resourcing and assessment of all elements of physical development.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Curriculum delivery:

- Implement and promote current guidance regarding best practice in all aspects of Physical Development, with a full-time specialist teaching commitment
- Ensure that Physical Development is part of a broad, balanced curriculum that engages pupils in a range of activities and experiences, including those beyond the curriculum.
- To be a key professional in supporting hydro sessions in the school (e.g. managing transitions, liaising with class leads, supporting the swimming teachers)
- To have clear knowledge and understanding of the latest pedagogy in Physical Development particularly in SEND teaching and embed this across all pathways as appropriate.
- Support the delivery of training sessions to colleagues as and when needed.
- In collaboration with the subject lead, be proactive in addressing specific Physical Development needs across the school, and support the delivery of bespoke programmes for individual students where relevant.
- Work alongside the subject lead to report on pupil progress and achievement; drawing out trends, pupil outcomes, pathway outcomes and whole school data.
- Attend relevant training and opportunities to network with Physical Development peers from other schools, both mainstream and SEND settings.
- To work with professional sports organisations e.g. Reading FC, Berkshire Cricket, Wheelchair rugby, and Reading Rockets to develop Physical Development opportunities within curriculum time and outside of school.
- To work with Physical Development teaching professionals within SEND and mainstream schools to offer competitive sports opportunities.

- To support the planning and delivery of whole school special events celebrating the subject, including Sports week.
- Actively promote and support the process of risk assessments and safeguard the pupils and staff, both within the workplace and in out-of-school contexts ensuring that all staff observe policies and procedures to keep pupils safe from harm.
- In collaboration with the subject lead, identify appropriate projects for the subject, to raise profile, extend and elevate our offer
- To adhere to all school policies and practices.
- Support the aims and vision of the school.
- Establish fair, respectful, trusting and constructive relationships with colleagues and communicate development points sensitively and effectively with them.
- Play an active role in identifying and finding ways of meeting the professional development needs for yourself and that of colleagues within this area of the curriculum.
- To maintain a stock of meaningful and relevant Physical Development resources for all curriculum pathways.
- Be proactive in researching new technologies which might benefit our learners

The duties outlined in this job description are in addition to those held as a class teacher, covered by the most recent School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document. It may be modified by the Headteacher, after discussion with you, to reflect or anticipate changes in the job, commensurate with the salary and job title.