

# Job Description for the position of Specialist Learning Support Assistant

Salary	Level 3 - Grade D - Points 7-11 on the NJC Pay Scale
Responsible to:	Class teachers, Phase Leads, SLT, Headteacher
Date of Job Description	March 2023

## **Purpose of the Role:**

To work with teachers to support teaching and learning, providing specialist support to the teacher in an aspect of the curriculum, age range or additional needs.

## Main Tasks and Responsibilities

#### **Key Duties:**

- 1. Provide learning activities for individuals and groups of pupils under the professional direction and supervision of a qualified teacher, differentiating and adapting learning programmes to suit the needs of allocated pupils
- 2. Provide bespoke consistent support for learners based on needs from ILP's, Educational Psychologist reports and Inclusion Team input.
- 3. Assess, record and report on development, progress and attainment as agreed with the teacher;
- 4. Assess, record and report on the progress and impact of bespoke interventions regularly to the SENDCO highlighting any underlying concerns should they arise.
- 5. Monitor and record pupil responses and learning achievements, drawing any problems which cannot be resolved to the attention of the teacher;
- 6. Contribute to planning learning activities with the teacher, writing evaluations as required;
- 7. Communication with pupils to promote learning, including assessing the impact of the communication on recipients and adjusting approach as necessary;
- 8. Select and adapt appropriate resources / methods to facilitate agreed learning activities;
- 9. Responsible for the careful and safe use equipment, such as play and standard ICT equipment;
- 10. Support pupils in social, health and emotional well-being, reporting problems to the teacher or SENDCO as appropriate;
- 11. To undertake the following:

- a. Provide specialist support and intervention activities to pupils with learning needs;
- b. To track pupil progress related to the pupil intervention.
- c. To liaise with staff about the progress the students are making including any strategies and advice that may have become relevant.
- 12. To complete appropriate training relevant to the post including how to effectively deliver specific interventions, and disseminate this as appropriate
- 13. Share information and targets with parents on a regular basis through class teacher or directly as appropriate.
- 14. Use IT effectively to support learning activities and develop resources that can be used to support a range of SEND needs
- 15. Establish constructive relationships with pupils and interact with them according to individual needs .
- 16. Establish and maintain relationships with families, carers and other adults, e.g. speech therapists
- 17. Provide short term cover supervision of classes<sup>1</sup>;
- 18. Support and assist children at other times including break-time supervision including facilitating games and activities; exams/tests and educational and out of school activities.
- 19. Be responsible for the preparation of materials and resources;
- 20. Guide and support pupils in their personal, emotional and social development;
- 21. Assist pupils with eating, dressing and hygiene, as required, whilst encouraging independence; in line with the Intimate Care Policies
- 22. Be involved in planning, organising and implementing individual development plans for pupils (such as Individual educational plans), including attendance at, and contribution to, reviews;
- 23. Provide training and supervise new or less experienced colleagues.
- 24. Collaborate with outside agencies to implement recommendations and strategies that support pupils.
- 25. Assist with risk assessments for activities undertaken by the pupils; ensuring their safety and wellbeing

## **General Duties:**

• To act in accordance with FCAT's policies and procedures.

- To act as a role model and work in accordance with the Trust values: pride, ambition, respect, resilience, integrity and excellence.
- To encourage and promote non-discriminatory behaviour and ensure equality and diversity is sustained within FCAT and our academies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Roles at this level may provide cover supervision in line with the Workforce Agreement Modelling Group (WAMG) Note 22.

- To ensure compliance with the General Data Protection Regulations and maintain confidentiality in your working practices each day. To ensure compliance with FCAT's Health and Safety Policy at all times.
- To adhere to FCAT's Safeguarding policy and procedures to ensure that the duty of care for all staff, including yourself to protect children and young people is maintained.
- Any other tasks and responsibilities reasonably appropriate to this post and grade.
- Work to support children across the trust, as operationally required.
- To attend mandatory training and participate in performance development as required.
- To work in support of the Team FCAT Work and Wellbeing Charter.

## Indicative knowledge, skills and experience

- Level 3 NVQ or relevant Level 3 diploma in specialist support for teaching and learning on the Qualification and Credit Framework.
- Demonstrate specialist skills relevant to their role in 11 above;
- Knowledge and compliance with policies and procedures relevant to child protection and health and safety.