

Highgate Wood School is a mixed Comprehensive School group 7, situated in the Crouch End playing field area of the London Borough of Haringey.

Age range 11 – 18

JOB DESCRIPTION	
Name:	
Title of Post:	Teacher of Computer Science
Salary Grade:	Main Pay Scale (Inner London Scale)
Accountable to:	Head of Department, Line Manager to the Department and Headteacher

A. PLANNING, TEACHING AND CLASS MANAGEMENT:

Class teachers teach allocated pupils by planning their teaching to achieve progression in learning by:

• Teaching their subject across the age and ability range.

• Identifying clear teaching objectives and specifying how they will be taught and assessed;

- Setting tasks which challenge pupils and ensure high levels of interest;
- Setting appropriate and demanding expectations;
- Setting clear targets, building on prior attainment;
- Identifying SEN or very able pupils;
- Providing clear structures for lessons, maintaining pace, motivation and challenge;
- Making effective use of assessment and ensuring coverage of the programmes of study;
- Ensuring effective teaching and best use of available time;
- Using ICT to advance learning
- Monitoring and intervening to ensure sound learning and discipline;
- Using a variety of teaching methods to:
 - match approach to content, structure information, present a set of key ideas and use appropriate vocabulary;
 - question effectively, listen carefully to pupils, give attention to errors and misconceptions;
 - select appropriate learning resources and develop study skills through library, I.C.T. and other sources;
- Ensuring pupils acquire and consolidate knowledge, skills and understanding appropriate to the subject taught; and
- Evaluating their own teaching critically to improve effectiveness
- Participating in appropriate INSET/Professional Development
- Contributing to the development of teaching and learning materials eg schemes of work, for their subject area.
- Taking account of pupils' needs by providing structured learning opportunities which develop the areas of learning identified in national and local policies and particularly the foundations for literacy and numeracy;
- Encouraging pupils to think and talk about their learning, develop self-control and independence, concentrate and persevere, and listen attentively;
- Using a variety of teaching strategies which involve planned adult intervention, first-hand experience and play and talk as a vehicle for learning; and

• Managing parents and other adults in the classroom.

B. MONITORING, ASSESSMENT, RECORDING, REPORTING

Class teachers monitor, assess and report the progress of the pupils allocated to them by:

- Assessing how well learning objectives have been achieved and use them to improve specific aspects of teaching;
- Marking and monitoring pupils' work and setting learning targets for their progress;
- Assessing and recording pupils' progress systematically; keeping records to check that work is understood and completed; monitoring strengths and weaknesses to inform planning and recognising the level at which a pupil is achieving; and
- Preparing and presenting informative reports to parents.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Class teachers

- Have a working knowledge of teachers' professional duties and legal liabilities e.g. equal opportunities
- Operate at all times within the stated policies and practices of the school;
- Establish effective working relationships and set a good example through their presentation and personal and professional conduct;
- Endeavour to give every child the opportunity to reach their potential, to meet high expectations and reach the five outcomes of The Children Act:
 - staying safe
 - being healthy
 - enjoying and achieving
 - making a positive contribution
 - able to attain economic well being
- Contribute to the corporate life of the school through effective participation in meetings and management systems necessary to co-ordinate the management of the school;
- Take responsibility for their own professional development and duties in relation to school policies and practices;
- Act as form tutors and participate actively in year group activities
- Liaise effectively with parents and governors; and
- Accept any reasonable additional responsibilities which might from time to time be determined.