

Teaching Assistant

South Petherton Schools Partnership
Role based at: South Petherton Junior School
Hayes End
South Petherton
TA13 5AG
Tel: 01460 240172

Salary range: Grade 14 Point 4-6 (£13.48 to £13.92) Subject to experience
Local Government Pension Scheme
31.25 hours per week - Monday to Friday 8.45am to 3.30pm (term time only)
Fixed term contract from 5th January 2027 to 31st August 2028 in the first instance
Start date subject to pre-employment checks

Do you have a passion for nurturing young minds and helping children thrive at every stage of their educational journey? Are you ready to be part of something truly exciting and transformative?

South Petherton Schools Federation is seeking a dedicated, enthusiastic and compassionate Teaching Assistant to join our team. This is more than just a role; it is an opportunity to make a lasting difference within a thriving Federation that places children at the heart of everything we do.

You will be committed to developing effective working relationships with the children, parents and staff, while contributing to pupil's development, working with the Class Teacher to support across a wide range of activities. With a creative and flexible approach to working with children you will be passionate about every child's learning and progress and promote excellent behaviour and high standards.

As we continue to strengthen our Federation, we are embarking on an exciting phase of growth and innovation across all our schools. This is a fantastic opportunity to join a supportive and forward-thinking staff team, work collaboratively with colleagues across the Federation, and play a vital role in helping children achieve their full potential.

If you are committed to inclusive practice, enjoy building positive relationships with children and families, and want to be part of a Federation that values ambition, compassion and excellence, we would love to hear from you.

What we offer:

- A warm and welcoming school community where every child is known and valued
- An inclusive, forward-thinking environment focused on excellence and wellbeing
- The opportunity to work alongside experienced educators and committed support staff
- A real chance to help shape the future of learning across our unique and ambitious partnership

Bringing together our Pre-School, Infant School and Junior School, the Federation provides a seamless and ambitious educational experience from early years through to the end of Key Stage 2. Rooted in our vibrant local community and guided by a shared vision, we are committed to ensuring every child flourishes academically, socially and emotionally.

If you are ready to make a meaningful difference and want to be part of a team that believes in the power of education to transform lives, we'd love to hear from you.

Be part of something special. Be part of South Petherton School's Federation.

How to apply:

Please apply in writing by completing the application form available on the school website:
www.southpetherton-jun.somerset.sch.uk

Completed application forms should be submitted to:
South Petherton Junior School, Hayes End, South Petherton, Somerset, TA13 5AG
Or emailed to office@southpethertonjuniorschool.co.uk.

Please read the Job Description and Job Specification before applying.

Visits to the Junior School are encouraged; please contact the school to arrange a visit prior to application.

Application closing date: Thursday 10th December 2026
Interview date: Monday 14th December 2026

South Petherton Federation reserves the rights to remove a vacancy before the closing date.
Due to the volume of applications received if you have not heard from the school by Friday 11th December 2026 unfortunately you have not been successful in securing an interview.
Visits to the school or any queries regarding the role are welcome; please telephone the school to make an appointment.

South Petherton School's Federation is an equal opportunities employer and committed to safer recruitment practices. Pre-employment checks will be carried out prior to confirming the role. We are dedicated to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff to share this commitment. All posts are subject to a satisfactory Enhanced DBS Clearance.