

## **Teaching Assistant**

**Do you love helping children reach their full potential? Are you flexible, hardworking and committed to providing safe and enjoyable experiences for pupils?**

We are looking for a caring and enthusiastic Teaching Assistant to join our friendly and supportive staff team.

Dry Sandford Primary School is a small, nurturing village primary school set in spacious grounds in rural Oxfordshire. Visitors commend the calm environment, beautiful spacious setting, and our compassionate, child-centred approach to learning and behaviour. As a school, we strive to embed our school vision, **Leading Lifelong Learning; Creating Caring Communities**, and to encourage our school values, **Kindness, Determination, Respect and Creativity**, in everything we do.

The role will involve supporting individual pupils with SEND learning needs on a 1:1 basis, under the guidance of the class teacher and school SENCo. At lunchtimes, it will also include working alongside other lunchtime supervisors and catering staff to support pupils whilst eating lunch and leading pupils in games and activities on the playground.

The position is **term-time only, 38 weeks per year, 30 hours per week**. The working pattern would be **Mondays to Friday from 8.45am-3.15pm with a 30-minute lunch break**. If desired, there may also be future opportunities to step up to do class cover, or to extend the contracted working hours by working in our established breakfast and after-school club.

### **The successful candidate will:**

- Care passionately about the wellbeing of children
- Confidently undertake set tasks, with a willingness to resourcefully adapt to the needs of individual children or situations
- Have high expectations of learning and behaviour and implement this with professionalism and respect
- Work collaboratively as part of a team, building positive relationships with children, colleagues and parents

### **In return, we can offer:**

- Friendly and enthusiastic children who are keen to learn and be their best
- A welcoming and supportive whole school team who are dedicated to achieving the best possible outcomes for pupils
- A friendly and supportive community of parents, carers, colleagues and school leaders
- Ongoing professional support with opportunities for further training

For further details, please see the attached job description and person specification.

Visits to the school are encouraged and warmly welcomed. To arrange a visit, or if you have any questions about the position, please contact our school admin team, Helen and Natalie, by email [office.2565@dry-sandford.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2565@dry-sandford.oxon.sch.uk), or call the school office on (01865) 730432.

To apply for the position, please complete and return the attached application form to: [office.2565@dry-sandford.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2565@dry-sandford.oxon.sch.uk)

Closing date for applications – **12pm on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

**Interviews will take place during the week commencing 14th July 2025**

Start date: **Monday 1st September 2025**