**Post Title: Teaching Assistant Year 1**

**School: Woodcote Primary School, Dunfold Rise, Coulsdon, Surrey. CR5 2ED**

**Status: Permanent / Term time only – 39 weeks per year / 25hrs per week (30hrs with lunch**

 **included) / Monday – Friday 09.00-15.00 (this includes a 1hr lunch break)**

**Grade: TPA4 / NJC 2-7 - £23,628 - £25, 325 pa FTE (OLW)**

 **Actual salary - £14,351 - £15,582pa**

**Post Start Date: 17th April 2023, pending pre-employment checks** *\**

**Closing Date for Applications: 09th February 2023- 5pm***\**

**Interview Date: week commencing 20th February 2023***\**

*\*applications from suitable candidates who meet the person specification may be shortlisted and interviewed ahead of the closing date*

The Head teacher and her supportive leadership team are looking for a good to outstanding classroom teaching assistant to support in a Year 1 class, who can work under the supervision of the class teacher and senior leaders to provide continuous improvement of teaching and learning for all children. With a clear focus on raising standards, the ideal candidate will be able to work with the class teacher to track performance of children and use data to inform areas of focus.

**Key responsibilities include:**

* Work in partnership with the class teacher and SENDco on identified priorities for identified pupils.
* Work with targeted children to ensure they make good to outstanding progress.
* Meet as arranged and / or as necessary with the class teacher, members of SLT and SENDco.
* To undertake relevant training and professional development in line with the school development plan.

Woodcote Primary School is a 4-form entry school within The Pioneer Academy. This oversubscribed school is Ofsted graded Outstanding. Our school motto is ‘**Inspire, Challenge, Engage’** and is at the heart of everything we do. We value each child as an individual and work hard to foster resilience, creativity, responsibility, self-belief, respect and truthfulness. We pride ourselves on our continual drive to provide exceptional care and education. We have a dedicated and enthusiastic team striving for the best for all children.

Woodcote Primary School is part of The Pioneer Academy Trust which is an academy trust with schools across London and the South East. At The Pioneer Academy, we put children first, pioneering excellence and championing each and every child. All our schools, ranging from small infant schools to large primary schools, work collaboratively, sharing resources and expertise.  Find out more at: [https://www.woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk](https://www.woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/croydon/primary/woodcote)and [www.thepioneeracademy.co.uk](http://www.thepioneeracademy.co.uk)

Visits to the school are encouraged and can be arranged via the school office on office@woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk or telephone 020 8668 3374.

At The Pioneer Academy, we take the wellbeing and mental health of our staff seriously which is why we are committed to regular reviews of staff well-being and reducing staff workload. We create bespoke career pathways for every member of staff, identifying and growing talent, with outstanding professional development opportunities at every stage of your career. We also have an Employee Assistance Programme with a range of resources to support wellbeing which is available to all employees and their immediate family members 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

***What we offer you:***

* A friendly, dedicated staff team who believe in teamwork and building positive relationships across the school, the Trust and in the local community.
* High quality development programme with induction programmes for all new staff.
* Excellent CPD opportunities,
* Annual conferences with keynote speakers.
* Access to professional coaching.
* A supportive and collaborative working ethos, including support from the Trust’s Central Executive Team and a range of experts, such as specialists in pupil welfare, SEND and behaviour.
* Access to Employee Assistance Programme including free counselling.
* Access to discounted wrap around childcare for staff.
* Free academy-wide social events throughout the year.

If you are interested in applying for the post, please see the Job Description/Person Specification. To apply for this vacancy, please complete the application form, completing a full education and employment history since leaving school and indicating how you satisfy the criteria set out in the Job Description/Person Specification. You will also be required to complete and return a self-disclosure declaration with your application. Applications should be submitted via email to the Recruitment Team at recruitment@thepioneeracademy.co.uk

Only those shortlisted for interview will be contacted. References will be requested for those shortlisted only and prior to interview. In line with [Keeping Children Safe in Education 2022](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1101454/Keeping_children_safe_in_education_2022.pdf), online searches will be completed as part of the due diligence on shortlisted candidates, searching online content that is publicly available for inappropriate online content that may suggest that a shortlisted candidate may not be suitable to work with children, or that may harm the reputation of the school. If any issues of concern come up in online searches, shortlisted candidates will have an opportunity to address these at interview. An Enhanced DBS certificate will be required on provisional offer, including a check of the Children’s Barred List. Further vetting checks, in line with the requirements of [Keeping Children Safe in Education 2022](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1101454/Keeping_children_safe_in_education_2022.pdf) will be completed following a provisional offer of appointment. Where applicable, if an applicant with a provisional offer of employment has lived and/or worked outside the UK, they will be required to obtain a Certificate of Good Conduct.

***The Pioneer Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. Offers of employment are subject to a satisfactory enhanced DBS disclosure and other employment checks. Our school Safeguarding Policy can be downloaded and read following this link:*** [Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy - Woodcote](https://www.woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/croydon/primary/woodcote/arenas/websitecontent/web/Safeguarding%20and%20Child%20Protection%20Policy%20-%20Woodcote%20Autumn%202021-62327.pdf)