

Class Teacher – Job Description & Person Specification

Post title	Class Teacher
School:	Tendring Primary
Salary and grade:	Main pay scale range 1-6, in line with the current <i>School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document</i>
Line manager/s:	The Executive Head, Head of School, members of the senior leadership team (SLT) and the governing body
Supervisory responsibility:	The postholder may be responsible for the deployment and supervision of the work of teaching assistants/learning support assistants relevant to their responsibilities

Main purpose of the job:

- Be responsible for the learning and achievement of all pupils in the class/es ensuring equality of opportunity for all
 - Be responsible and accountable for achieving the highest possible standards in work and conduct
 - Treat pupils with dignity, building relationships rooted in mutual respect, and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher's professional position
 - Work proactively and effectively in collaboration and partnership with learners, parents/carers, governors, other staff and external agencies in the best interests of pupils
 - Act within, the statutory frameworks, which set out their professional duties and responsibilities and in line with the duties outlined in the current *School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document and Teacher Standards (2012)*
 - Be responsible for the pastoral wellbeing of pupils
 - Take responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school
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Duties and responsibilities

All teachers are required to carry out the duties of a schoolteacher as set out in the current *School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document*. Teachers should also have due regard to the Teacher Standards (2012) as well as the school's own policies. Teachers' performance will be assessed against the teacher standards as part of the appraisal process as relevant to their role in the school.

Teaching

- Deliver the curriculum as relevant to the age and ability group/subject/s that you teach
- Be responsible for the preparation and development of teaching materials, teaching programmes and pastoral arrangements as appropriate
- Be accountable for the attainment, progress and outcomes of pupils' you teach
- Be aware of pupils' capabilities, their prior knowledge and plan teaching and differentiate appropriately to build on these, demonstrating knowledge and understanding of how pupils learn
- Promote the intellectual, physical and personal development of the pupils in your class and provide guidance and advice to pupils on educational and relevant social matters
- Have a clear understanding of the needs of all pupils, including those with special educational needs; gifted and talented; EAL; disabilities; and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approaches to engage and support them
- Demonstrate an understanding of and take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy including the correct use of spoken English (whatever your specialist subject)

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- If teaching early reading, demonstrate a clear understanding of appropriate teaching strategies e.g. systematic synthetic phonics
- Use an appropriate range of observation, assessment, monitoring and recording strategies as a basis for setting challenging learning objectives for pupils of all backgrounds, abilities and dispositions, monitoring learners' progress and levels of attainment
- Make accurate and productive use of assessment to secure pupils' progress
- Give pupils regular feedback and encourage pupils to respond to the feedback, reflect on progress, their emerging needs and to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study
- Use relevant data to monitor progress, set targets, and plan subsequent lessons
- Set homework and plan other out-of-class activities to consolidate and extend the knowledge and understanding pupils have acquired as appropriate
- Participate in arrangements for examinations and assessments within the remit of the *School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document*

Behaviour and Safety

- Establish a safe, purposeful and stimulating environment for pupils, rooted in mutual respect and establish a framework for discipline with a range of strategies, using praise, sanctions and rewards consistently and fairly
- Manage classes effectively, using approaches which are appropriate to pupils' needs in order to inspire, motivate and challenge pupils
- Maintain good relationships with pupils, exercise appropriate authority, and act decisively when necessary
- Be a positive role model and demonstrate consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour, which are expected of pupils
- Have high expectations of behaviour, promoting self-control and independence of all learners
- Carry out playground and other duties as directed and within the remit of the current *School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document*
- Be responsible for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school, raising any concerns following school protocol/procedures

Team working and collaboration

- Participate in any relevant meetings/professional development opportunities at the school, which relate to the learners, curriculum or organisation of the school including pastoral arrangements and assemblies
- Work collaboratively as a team sharing the development of effective practice and develop effective professional relationships
- Ensure that colleagues working with you are appropriately involved in supporting learning and understand the roles they are expected to fulfil
- Take part as required in the review, development and management of the activities relating to the curriculum, organisation and pastoral functions of the school
- Cover for absent colleagues within the remit of the current *School Teachers' Pay and Conditions* document

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities

- Communicate effectively with parents/carers with regard to pupils' achievements and well-being using school systems/processes as appropriate
- Communicate and co-operate with relevant external bodies
- Take responsibility for specific National Curriculum subject(s) and lead these within the school
- Advise and co-operate with the head teacher and other teachers on the preparation and development of schemes of work, teaching materials, methods of teaching and assessment and pastoral arrangements
- Positively contribute to the overall life and work of the school

Administration

- Register the attendance of and supervise learners, before, during or after school sessions as appropriate

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- Participate in and carry out any administrative and organisational tasks within the remit of the current *School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document*

Professional development

- Regularly review the effectiveness of your teaching and assessment procedures and its impact on pupils' progress, attainment and well-being, refining your approaches where necessary responding to advice and feedback from colleagues
- Be responsible for improving your teaching through participating fully in training and development opportunities identified by the school or as developed as an outcome of your appraisal
- Proactively participate with arrangements made in accordance with the agreed Performance Management systems

Other

- To have professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school in which you teach, and maintain high standards in your own attendance and punctuality
- Perform any reasonable duties as requested by the headteacher

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Person specification

Criteria	Qualities
Qualifications and experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualified teacher status or support of • Degree • Successful primary teaching experience
Skills and knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of the National Curriculum • Knowledge of effective teaching and learning strategies • A good understanding of how children learn • Ability to adapt teaching to meet pupils' needs • Ability to build effective working relationships with pupils • Knowledge of guidance and requirements around safeguarding children • Knowledge of effective behaviour management strategies • Good ICT skills, particularly using ICT to support learning
Personal qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A commitment to getting the best outcomes for all pupils and promoting the ethos and values of the school • High expectations for children's attainment and progress • Ability to work under pressure and prioritise effectively • Commitment to maintaining confidentiality at all times • Commitment to safeguarding and equality

Note

This job description is not necessarily a comprehensive definition of the post nor is it your contract of employment. Duties may vary within this framework in line with its general character and level of responsibility entailed. It will be reviewed annually and it may be subject to modification or amendment at any time, after consultation with the holder of the post.