

Job Description – SEN Learning Support Assistant

Principal Accountabilities

- Working with individuals or small groups of children under the direction of teaching staff
- Implement planned learning activities/teaching programmes as agreed with the teacher adjusting activities according to pupils' responses as appropriate

Duties

- Establish positive relationships with pupils
- Support pupils with activities which support literacy and numeracy skills
- Support the use of ICT in the classroom and develop pupils' competence and independence in its use
- Promote positive pupil behaviour in line with school policies and help keep pupils on task
- Interact with, and support pupils, according to individual needs and skills
- Promote the inclusion and acceptance of children with special needs and disabilities within the classroom ensuring access to lessons and their content through appropriate clarification, explanation and resources
- Participate in planning and evaluation of learning activities with the teacher, providing feedback to the teacher on pupil progress and behaviour
- Monitor and record pupil activities as appropriate, writing records and reports as required
- Provide feedback to pupils in relation to attainment and progress under the quidance of the teacher
- Support learning by organising and developing resources for lessons/activities under the direction of the teacher
- Attend to pupils' personal needs including social, welfare and health matters, including minor first aid
- Assist with the preparation, maintenance and control of stocks of materials and resources.
- Assist with the development and implementation of Individual Education Plans
- Liaise with other staff and provide information about pupils as appropriate
- Assist with the display and presentation of pupils' work
- Supervise pupils for limited and specified periods including break-times when the postholder should facilitate games and activities
- Assist with escorting pupils on educational visits
- To assist children in selecting their meal and sitting in an appropriate place in the dining hall, sandwich room.
- To assist children with eating their meal if applicable.
- To clear tables when meals are finished and clear up any associated spillages.
- To enforce the necessary sanctions for maintaining good order.
- To administer basic first aid as required.
- To keep daily records of first aid administered, behaviour and sanctions employed, together with any other relevant records that may be needed.
- To provide pastoral care, guidance and routine advice to pupils as appropriate.
- Where necessary and appropriate to lead games and activities with the children.
- To alert Senior Midday Assistant and/or the Headteacher of any concerns regarding an individual child or group of children

General

• Understand and apply school policies in relation to health, safety and welfare



- Attend relevant training and take responsibility for own professional development
- · Respect confidentiality at all times
- Participate in the performance and development review process, taking personal responsibility for identification of learning, development and training opportunities in discussion with line manager
- Comply with individual responsibilities, in accordance with the role, for health and safety in the workplace
- Ensure that all duties and services are in accordance with the School's Equal Opportunities Policy
- The Governing Body is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment.

The duties above are neither exclusive nor exhaustive and the postholder may be required by the Headteacher to carry out appropriate duties within the context of the job, skills and grade.



| General heading | Detail | Examples | Essential | Desirable |
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| Qualifications | Specific | Successful experience | ✓ | |
| and Experience | qualifications and | working with children in an | | |
| | experience | early years and or Key | | |
| | | Stage 1 environment | | |
| | | GCSE grade C [or | ✓ | |
| | | equivalent] English and | | |
| | | Maths qualification | | |
| | | NVQ Level 2 or above in | | ✓ |
| | | learning support/early years | | |
| | | or equivalent qualifications | | |
| | Knowledge of | Basic knowledge of First aid | | ✓ |
| | relevant policies and | and understanding of the | | |
| | procedures | School | | |
| | Technology | Knowledge of basic ICT | ✓ | |
| | | skills to support learning | | |
| Communication | Verbal | Ability to use clear language | ✓ | |
| | | to communicate information | | |
| | | unambiguously | | |
| | Written | Ability to write basic reports | ✓ | |
| | | such as observations of | | |
| | | pupils | | |
| | Languages | Overcome communication | ✓ | |
| | | barriers with children and | | |
| | | adults | | |
| | Negotiating | Consult with children and | ✓ | |
| | | their families and carers and | | |
| | | other adults | | |
| Working with | Behaviour | Understand and implement | | ✓ |
| children | Management | the school's behaviour | | |
| | | policy | | |
| | SEND | Ability to understand and | | ✓ |
| | | support children with special | | |
| | | educational needs and | | |
| | | disabilities | | |
| | Curriculum | Good understanding of the | | ✓ |
| | | EYFS curriculum | | |
| | | Knowledge of the teaching | | |
| | | of synthetic phonics | | |
| | Child Development | Good understanding of child | | ✓ |
| | | development | | |
| | | Ability to observe and | | |
| | | assess progress and | | |
| | | performance | | |
| | Health and Well | Understand and support the | | ✓ |
| | being | importance of physical and | | |
| | | emotional wellbeing of | | |
| | | children | | |
| Working with others | Working with | Understand the role of | | ✓ |
| | partners | others working in and with | | |
| | | the school | | |
| | | Understand and value the | ✓ | |
| | | role of parents and carers in | | |
| | | supporting children | | |
| | Relationships | Ability to establish rapport | ✓ | |
| | | and respectful and trusting | | |
| | | relationships with children, | | |
| | | their families and carers and | | |
| | 1 | other adults | | |



| | Team Work | Ability to work effectively | ✓ | |
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| | | with a range of adults | | |
| | Information | Know when, how and with | ✓ | |
| | | whom to share information | | |
| | | Ability to follow instructions | ✓ | |
| | | accurately | | |
| Responsibilities | Organisational skills | Good organisational skills | ✓ | |
| | | Ability to remain calm under | | |
| | | pressure | | |
| | Line Management | Ability to support the work of | ✓ | |
| | | volunteers and other | | |
| | | teaching assistants in the | | |
| | | classroom | | |
| | Time Management | Ability to manage time | ✓ | |
| | _ | effectively | | |
| | Creativity | Demonstrate creativity and | ✓ | |
| | | an ability to resolve routine | | |
| | | problems independently | | |
| General | Equalities | Awareness of and | ✓ | |
| | | commitment to equality | | |
| | Health and Safety | Basic understanding of | ✓ | |
| | | Health and Safety issues | | |
| | Child Protection | Understand and implement | ✓ | |
| | | child protection procedures | | |
| | Confidentiality/Data | Understand procedures and | ✓ | |
| | Protection | legislation relating to | | |
| | | confidentiality | | |
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| | Continuing | Be prepared to develop and | ✓ | |
| | Professional | learn in the role | | |
| | Development | | | |
| | Working | Be prepared to work in the | ✓ | |
| | Environment | outdoor classroom all year | | |
| | | round. | | |