

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

**SCHOOL:** Levensdale Primary School

**POST TITLE:** Teaching Assistant Level 3

**GRADE:** New Grade H (SCP 14-17)

**REPORTS TO:** Headteacher, class teacher, Local Governing Body

**MAIN PURPOSE:** To work under the guidance of teaching/senior staff and within an agreed system of supervision, to implement agreed work programmes with individuals/groups, in or out of the classroom. This could include those requiring detailed and specialist knowledge in particular areas and will involve assisting the teacher in the whole planning cycle and the management/preparation of resources. This may include providing support in addressing the needs of pupils who need particular help in overcoming barriers to learning. Staff may also supervise whole classes occasionally during the short-term absence of teachers. The primary focus will be to maintain good order and to keep pupils on task.

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### **TASKS:**

#### **SUPPORT FOR THE PUPIL:**

- Use specialist (curricular/learning) skills/training/experience to support pupils
- Assist with the development and implementation of Individual Education/ Behaviour Plans
- Establish productive working relationships with pupils, acting as a role model and setting high expectations
- Promote the inclusion and acceptance of all pupils within the classroom
- Support pupils consistently whilst recognising and responding to their individual needs
- Encourage pupils to interact and work co-operatively with others and engage all pupils in activities
- Promote independence and employ strategies to recognise and reward achievement of self-reliance
- Provide feedback to pupils in relation to progress and achievement

#### **SUPPORT FOR THE TEACHER:**

- Work with the teacher to establish an appropriate learning environment
- Work with the teacher in lesson planning, evaluating and adjusting lessons/work plans as appropriate
- Monitor and evaluate pupils responses to learning activities through observation and planned recording of achievement against pre-determined learning objectives
- Provide objective and accurate feedback and reports as required, to the teacher on pupil achievement, progress and other matters, ensuring the availability of appropriate evidence
- Be responsible for keeping and updating records as agreed with the teacher, contributing to reviews of systems/records as requested
- Undertake marking of pupils work and accurately record achievement/progress
- Promote positive values, attitudes and good pupil behaviour, dealing promptly with conflict and incidents in line with established policy and encourage pupils to take responsibility for their own behaviour
- Liaise sensitively and effectively with parents/carers as agreed with the teacher within your role/responsibility and participate in feedback sessions/meetings with parents, or as directed
- Supervise and assess routine tests and invigilate examinations/tests
- Provide general clerical/administrative support e.g. administer coursework, produce worksheets for agreed activities etc

**SUPPORT FOR THE CURRICULUM:**

- Implement agreed learning activities/teaching programmes, adjusting activities according to pupil responses/needs
- Implement local and national learning strategies e.g. literacy, numeracy, KS3, Early Years and make effective use of opportunities provided by other learning activities to support the development of relevant skills
- Support the use of ICT in learning activities and develop pupils competence and independence in its use
- Help pupils to access learning activities through specialist support
- Determine the need for, prepare and maintain general and specialist equipment and resources

**SUPPORT FOR THE SCHOOL:**

- Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to Child Protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to an appropriate person
- Be aware of and support difference and ensure all pupils have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop
- Contribute to the overall ethos/work/aims of the school
- Establish constructive relationships and communicate with other agencies/professionals, in liaison with the teacher, to support achievement and progress of pupils
- Attend and participate in regular meetings
- Recognise own strengths and areas of expertise and use these to advise and support others
- Provide appropriate guidance and supervision and assist in the training and development of staff as appropriate
- Supervise pupils on out of school activities as required
- Accompany teaching staff and pupils on visits and trips as required with appropriate responsibility
- Participate in training and other learning activities and performance development as required
- Show a duty of care and take appropriate action to comply with Health & Safety requirements at all time
- Demonstrate and promote commitment to Equal Opportunities and to the elimination of behaviour and practices that could be discriminatory.
- Take the class during the short-term absence of the class teacher.

**SAFEGUARDING - PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

- To demonstrate a commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, staff and volunteers.
- To demonstrate a thorough understanding of safeguarding and safer recruitment policies and procedures, and their application within an educational setting/environment.

**The post holder may reasonably be expected to undertake other duties commensurate with the level of responsibility that may be allocated from time to time.**