**Seaham Trinity Primary School**

**Job Description: Early Years Class Teacher**

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| **Job title** | Early Years Class Teacher |
| **Salary Scale** | Main Pay Scale M1-M6 |
| **Responsible to** | Early Years Leader, Deputy Head Teacher, Head Teacher |
| **Responsible for** | Early Years Practitioners |
| **Purpose of Job** | |
| **1.** To carry out the duties of a school teacher as set out by the class teacher job description and the school teachers’ pay and conditions document.  **2.** To lead a curriculum area within the school. | |
| **Context of Role** | |
| • The Early Years Class Teacher will be based in Reception or Nursery and will have responsibility for either one of the two Reception classes or the Nursery class.  • The school welcomes teachers of high professional standard and shares the responsibility with each teacher for continual review and the development of expertise.  • All teachers make a valuable contribution to the school’s development and, therefore, to the progress of all pupils. All teachers except those who are newly qualified, will have a lead responsibility for a curriculum area across the whole school and will be supported in that role by their line manager.  • For newly qualified teachers, subject leadership will be taken by his/her line manager during the first year of employment at the school. | |
| **EYFS Teacher** | |
| **The main responsibilities for this post are:**  • Supporting the vision, ethos and policies of the school and promoting high levels of achievement in EYFS.  • Supporting the implementation of the school development plan, particularly where it relates to EYFS.  • Evaluating the effectiveness of the provision in EYFS in close collaboration with the Early Years Leader.  • Organising and managing teaching and learning in EYFS.  • The development and monitoring of the curriculum provision in EYFS.  • Supporting the Head teacher and EYFS Leader in the monitoring of the quality of teaching and children’s achievements, including the analysis of EYFS data.  • The pastoral care of children, promoting independence and good behaviour, in accordance with school policies.  • Ensuring that parents are fully involved in their child’s learning and development and well-informed about the EYFS curriculum, their child’s individual targets, progress and achievement.  • Developing the use of new and emerging technologies and techniques within the classroom. | |
| **Planning, Teaching, Class Management and Curriculum Development** | |
| • Identifying clear teaching objectives and specifying how they will be taught and assessed.  • Setting tasks which challenge pupils and ensure high levels of interest  • Setting appropriate and demanding expectations  • Setting clear targets, building on prior attainment  • Identifying SEN or very able pupils  • Providing clear structures for lessons maintaining pace, motivation and challenge  • Making effective and best use of available time  • Maintaining good conduct and learning behaviours in accordance with the school’s procedures and encouraging good practice with regard to punctuality, behaviour, standards of work and homework  • Using a variety of teaching methods to match approach to content, structure information, present a set of key ideas and use appropriate vocabulary  • Use effective questioning, listen carefully to pupils, give attention to errors and misconceptions  • Select appropriate learning resource’s and develop study skills through library, I.C.T. and other sources  • Ensuring pupils acquire and consolidate knowledge skills and understanding appropriate to the subject taught  • Evaluating own teaching critically to improve effectiveness  • Ensuring the effective and efficient deployment of classroom support  • Taking account of pupils’ needs by providing structured learning opportunities which develop the areas of learning identified in national and local policies and particularly the foundations for  Literacy and Maths  • Encouraging pupils to think and talk about their learning, develop self-control and independence, concentrate and persevere and listen attentively  • Using a variety of teaching strategies which involve planned adult intervention, first-hand experience and play and talk as a vehicle for learning.  • Contribute to team responsibility for a subject or aspect of the school’s work and develop plans which identify clear targets and success criteria for its development and/or maintenance  • Contribute to the whole school’s development activities | |
| **Monitoring, Assessment, Recording, Reporting** | |
| • Assess how well learning objectives have been achieved and use them to improve specific aspects of teaching  • Provide feedback for pupils and set targets together for progress  • Assess and record pupils’ progress systematically and keep records to check work is understood and completed, monitor strengths and weaknesses, inform planning and recognise the level at which the pupil is achieving  • Prepare and present informative reports to parents. | |
| **Strategic Leadership** | |
| • To lead a foundation subject area across the whole school.  • To promote and support the principle that all class based staff are leaders of learning.  • Have high expectations of all pupils and support staff.  • Think creatively and imaginatively to anticipate and solve problems and identify opportunities.  • Liaise with staff to ensure smooth transition from one phase to another, including co-ordination of the ‘handover’ of relevant documents.  • To help develop a highly effective Early Years team through effective systems: attend regular staff and phase meetings to ensure good communication, consistency in practice and good pupil progress. | |
| **Whole School/Other** | |
| • Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to child protection; health and safety; confidentiality; and data protection and report all concerns to an appropriate person.  • Be aware of and support difference and ensure that the school’s equalities and diversity policies are followed.  • Show a commitment to work outside directed time when required.  • Contribute to and provide evidence for the school Self-Evaluation Summary.  • Contribute activities are required to support the School Development Plan.  • Develop personally and professionally through reflection and development of own practice through professional development programmes and own reading, keeping abreast of new initiatives. | |

The above duties are not exhaustive, and the post holder may be required to undertake tasks, roles and responsibilities as may be reasonably requested, allocated or delegated to them by the Head Teacher. This job description will be reviewed annually and may be amended at any time, to meet the changing demands of the school, following discussion between the Head teacher and member of staff.

The jobholder is required to contribute to and support the overall aims and ethos of the school. All staff are required to participate in training and other learning activities, and in performance management and development as required by the schools’ policies and practices.

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Seaham Trinity Primary School recognises that all individuals have fundamental human rights and therefore adopts a rights based approach to equality. We shall develop practices that promote the right for everyone to participate in all aspects of life within school by promoting initiatives that remove barriers to participation and by actively promoting equality and social inclusion.

We recognise that prejudice and inequality of opportunity exist within life and we commit ourselves to challenging and redressing these injustices by applying equal opportunity within school.

Signed colleague ……………………………………………… Date ……………………………..

**Person Specification: Early Years Class Teacher**

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|  | **Essential** | **Desirable** |
| **Experience** | • Experience of working across the Early Years Foundation Stage.  • Proven highly successful teaching experience in EYFS  • Experience of effective involvement with parents. | • Experience of working with children across the primary age range.  • Experience of leading a subject.  • Experience of delivering RWI |
| **Qualifications** | • A relevant degree  • Qualified teacher status | • Evidence of recent professional development such as NPQML, NPQSL or other relevant qualifications  • Current First Aid/Paediatric First Aid certificate |
| **Knowledge** | • A thorough understanding of the current EYFS curriculum and what constitutes; high quality educational provision, the characteristics of effective learning in Early Years settings, and strategies for raising standards and outcomes for EYFS children  • An extensive knowledge and understanding of how to promote pupils’ personal, spiritual, moral, social and cultural development and good behaviour through effective management and leadership  • A knowledge and understanding of how to promote children’s learning outdoors  • Experience of curriculum planning, assessing and recording.  • Knowledge of statutory requirements for the end of Early Years and have experience of working with these.  • A commitment to continuous professional development.  • Confident skills in ICT | • Know how to use local, national and statistics to evaluate the effectiveness of teaching.  • Evidence of successfully mentoring or coaching teachers and NQTs |
| **Skills** | • Be able to demonstrate outstanding classroom practice and articulate what constitutes effective teaching and learning within your phase • Have excellent communication skills with all stakeholders  • Ability to work effectively as part of a team of staff and governors.  • Use effective ICT skills for teaching and learning  • Ability to demonstrate positive and highly effective behaviour management skills  • Be committed to a high quality, student focuses approach to learning  • Good organisational and time management skills  • A passion for learning and the ability to inspire children to reach their full potential.  • Demonstrate a positive and professional attitude at all times  • Flexible and keen to adapt to meet the needs of school.  • Commitment to extra-curricular activities. | • Able to set-up, use and monitor online learning journey systems, such as Tapestry. |
| **Personal Qualities** | • Positive, caring attitude, enthusiasm and sense of humour  •Ability to form strong relationships with colleagues.  •Ability to work as part of a team fostering collaborative and successful working relationships.  • Ability to maintain confidentiality  • Commitment to personal and professional development • Excellent interpersonal skills |  |
| **Safeguarding** | • Up-to-date knowledge of relevant legislation and guidance in relation to working with, and the protection of, children and young people.  • Commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children and young people  • Will co-operate and work with relevant agencies to ensure the appropriate safeguarding of children |  |

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