Teaching Assistant (L3)

Job Description

Position:

Teaching Assistant Level 3

Role

Working under the direction of the teacher in the teaching and learning of children, which will include specific activities on a regular basis where management may not be direct. Working under the supervision of the teacher in the teaching and learning of children, which will include specific activities where supervision may not be direct.

Accountable to:

Deputy Head Teacher

General Duties

Support the pupil by:

- Undertaking activities with individuals, groups or a class of children in order to facilitate their physical, emotional and educational development within a safe environment, usually under the supervision of a teacher.
- Working to establish a supportive relationship with the children and parents concerned in order to facilitate effective communication and partnership between school and home where appropriate.
- Carrying out pre-determined educational activities and work programmes ensuring that specific guidelines are followed whilst promoting independent learning to support the children’s understanding.
- Encouraging acceptance and inclusion of the child with special needs to support achievement and development.
- Promoting and reinforcing the child’s self-esteem and encourage the child to maximise their achievement and development.
**Higher Level Accountabilities:**

- Attend planning meetings and under the overall direction and guidance of the teacher, contribute to the short, medium and long term planning and preparation of lessons.
- Help pupils make progress in a range of classroom settings including working with individuals, small groups and whole classes where the assigned teacher is not present.
- Support teachers in selecting and preparing teaching resources that meet the pupils’ needs and interests. Liaise with the class teacher to devise complementary learning activities.

**Support the teacher by:**
- Monitoring, assessing and recording pupils’ work as directed by the teacher.

**Support the school by:**
- Taking responsibility for securing the maintenance of specific equipment in school and to have responsibility for specific aspects of health and safety.
- To have skills which can be utilised in class such as gardening, drama, craft etc.
- Being aware of the school’s policies and procedures.
- Being aware of confidential issues linked to home/pupil/teacher/school work and to keep confidences as appropriate.
- Assisting with out of school activities such as open days, school performances etc.
- Carrying out the duties of classroom assistants and teaching assistants detailed below (general key tasks) as required or directed.
- Contributing to behaviour management of pupils in accordance with the school policy and guidance.
- Work within the framework of the school’s agreed policies and procedures.

**Support the curriculum by:**
- Undertaking any other duties which may reasonably be regarded as within the nature of the duties and responsibilities/grade of the post, subject to the proviso that any significant, substantial and permanent changes shall be incorporated into the job description in specific terms.
**General Key Tasks:**

- Supporting and advising trainee assistants.
- Having specialist knowledge of equipment in the school and provide instruction on the proper use of that equipment.
- Attend staff meetings and school inset days as required by the Head Teacher.
- Provide general care and welfare for children.

**Generic Tasks:**

The following list of tasks is indicative of the generic tasks which Senior Teaching Assistants may be routinely expected to do. This is not intended to be an exclusive or exhaustive list.

- Collecting money
- Monitoring and recording absences
- Photocopying
- Classroom display
- Processing exam results
- Collating pupil reports
- Administering work experience
- Administering examinations
- Invigilating examinations
- Administering teaching cover
- ICT trouble shooting and minor repairs
- Ordering supplies and equipment
- Stock taking
- Cataloguing, preparing, issuing and maintaining equipment and materials
- Managing pupil data
- Inputting pupil data

**SAFEGUARDING**

The Witherslack Group is committed to the safeguarding and promotion of the welfare of all children and young people in our care. All staff have a key role and responsibility in this area.
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