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| Job Description |

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| Job Details |
| **School Name** | **Castle Hill Primary School** |
| **Job Title** | Teaching Assistant Level 3 |
| **Grade** | Grade 5 |
| **Primary Purpose of Job** | Provide effective support for teaching and learning in school |
| **Responsible to** | Line Manager / Head Teacher |
| **Responsible for** | N/A |
| **Principal Responsibilities** | Provide support for a range of teaching and learning activities in schoolProvide cover supervision during short-term absencesProvide support for individual pupils and groups of pupils in specific areas of the curriculum or during transitions |

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| Main Duties |
|  | Provide support for learning activities across a range of key stages and in a range of environments |
|  | Support children’s development (e.g. physical, emotional, social, communication and intellectual development needs) |
|  | Help to keep children safe, including maintaining a safe environment, dealing with accidents, supporting safeguarding. |
|  | Develop and promote positive relationships with children, adults and other practitioners |
|  | Support the development and effectiveness of work teams |
|  | Reflect on an develop practice |
|  | Use information and communication technology to support pupils’ learning |
|  | Plan deliver and evaluate teaching and learning activities under the direction of a teacher, including to cover for short-term teacher absence |
|  | Contribute to the planning, delivery and evaluation of teaching and learning activities under the direction of the teacher, including covering for short-term teacher absence |
|  | Support literacy development |
|  | Support numeracy development |
|  | Observe and promote pupil performance and development |
|  | Contribute to assessment for learning |
|  | Prepare and maintain the learning environment |
|  | Provide displays |
|  | Invigilate tests and examinations |
|  | Contribute to maintaining pupil records |
|  | Monitor and maintain curriculum resources |
|  | Escort and supervise pupils on educational visits and out-of-school activities |
|  | Liaise with parents, carers and families |
|  | Promote children’s well-being and resilience |

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| Other Support Duties  |
|  | Support children and young people during transitions in their lives |
|  | Support implementation of the curriculum  |
|  | Support teaching and learning in a curriculum area |
|  | Provide literacy and numeracy support to enable pupils to access the wider curriculum |
|  | Support gifted and talented pupils |
|  | Contribute to the prevention and management of challenging behaviour in children and young people |
|  | Assist in the administration of medication |
|  | Enable young people to be active citizens |
|  | Lead an extra-curricular activity |
|  | Plan and support self-directed play |
|  | Organise cover for absent colleagues |
|  | Organise and supervise travel |
|  | The post holder may reasonably be expected to undertake other duties commensurate with the level of responsibility that may be allocated, at the discretion of the Head Teacher and to meet the needs of the school |

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| Person Specification |

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## Stage One

The minimum essential requirements for the above post are as follows. Please try to show in your application form, how best you meet these requirements. Disabled candidates are guaranteed an interview if they meet the essential criteria.

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| Skills and Knowledge | Method of Assessment |
|  | Ability to provide effective support during learning activities through use of appropriate strategies for motivate and challenge pupils | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to interact with, listen to and positively encourage pupils to learn | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to deal with respond calmly and promptly to incidents, safeguarding issues and challenging behaviour, in accordance with role and responsibilities | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to supervise children and young people safely, adapting the learning environment where required according to needs, abilities, and agreed procedures | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to apply agreed behaviour strategies, responding appropriately to incidents in accordance with role and responsibilities | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to provide constructive feedback on a range of issues to colleagues and other professionals | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to communicate effectively with children/young people and adults, adapting communications styles and approaches to individual needs, abilities and situations. Ability to foster positive relationships between children/young people and with other adults and to recognise and encourage resolution of issues.  | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to work effectively as part of a team through information-sharing, feedback, problem-resolution and support | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to use self-evaluation and reflection to learn and develop practice | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to operate ICT resources safely and effectively as a learning resource. Ability to access and use learning programmes and information, and to encourage and support ICT during learning activities, feeding back on pupils’ progress and response. | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to plan and deliver teaching and learning activities to complement, reinforce or extend teaching and learning delivered by the teacher, including when working with the whole class, under the direction of the teacher or accordance with arrangements made by the head teacher  | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to monitor and provide feedback on pupil participation and progress and evaluate own contribution to the learning activity  | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to structure learning activities, select and prepare learning resources with due regard for ability, inclusion and diversity and learning objectives | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to work collaboratively with the teacher, colleagues and other professionals to support teaching, learning, well-being and transitions  | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Ability to identify the purpose of learning displays and devise design and content accordingly. Ability to create the display with due regard for safety and future maintenance, and to evaluate its effectiveness. | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Excellent numeracy and literacy skills | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of children and young people (in relevant age groups)’s expected patterns of development including physical development, communication, intellectual development and learning, social, emotional and behavioural development. | Application Form/Interview  |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of the relevant school curriculum and age-related expectations of pupils | Application Form/Interview  |
|  | Awareness of inclusion principles, impact of cultural, social and gender based influences on pupils, and their implications for supporting teaching and learning activities | Application Form/Interview  |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of effective communication strategies and approaches to fostering positive relationships in a variety of settings | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Awareness of safeguarding principles and safe working practices | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Displays commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children and young people | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Be familiar with and able to set in motion accident/emergency, safety, safeguarding and welfare procedures, according to school/setting policies and procedures | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of a range of professional and educational software packages | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of procedures for maintaining appropriate pupil records | Application form/Certificate |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of literacy and numeracy strategies for relevant age groups | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Awareness of the SEN Code of Practice and of its implications in practice | Application Form/Interview |
|  | CompetenciesPlease note the school’s competencies, which are considered to be essential for all roles, are in the attached Core Competencies document | Interview |

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| Experience, Qualifications and Training | Method of Assessment |
|  | ~~Holder, working towards or willing to work towards a nationally recognised qualification at Level 2 or above in English/literacy and mathematics/numeracy~~Holder of GCSE Mathematics and English qualification Grades A-C or 9-4 or the equivalent | Application Form / Certificate |
|  | Relevant experience of working with and/or caring for children within specified age range/subject area | Application Form/Interview |
|  | Holder, working towards or willing to work towards an NVQ Level 3, BTEC Level 3 **or equivalent** in Teaching Assistant or Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools | Application Form / Certificate |

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| Work Related Circumstances | Method of Assessment |
|  | To attend staff training days, twilight training sessions and relevant out of hours training and events. | Application Form/Interview |
|  | This post is subject to an enhanced disclosure and a barred list check from the Disclosure & Barring Service | Application Form/Certificate |

## Stage Two

This will only be used in the event of a large number of applicants meeting the minimum essential requirements. Please try to show in your application form, how best you meet these requirements.

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| Skills and Knowledge | Method of Assessment |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of assessment for learning | Application Form / Interview |
|  | Knowledge and understanding of managing change and transitions with pupils | Application Form / Interview |

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| Experience, Qualifications and Training | Method of Assessment |
|  | Experience of supporting teaching and learning in specific curriculum areas or leading extra-curricular activities | Application Form / Interview |

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# Core Competencies

These core competencies are considered essential for all roles within this school. Please be prepared to be assessed on any of these during the interview process and, for the successful applicant, throughout the probationary period.

**Developing Self and Others**

Promote a learning environment to embed a learning culture. Support others to develop their skills and knowledge to fulfil their potential. Actively pursue your own development.

**Civil Contingencies**

Bolton Council has a statutory duty under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 to respond in the event of an emergency. If the Emergency Management Plan is activated, you may be required to assist in maintaining key council services and supporting the community. This could require working outside of routine working hours and working from places other than your normal place of work.

**Equality and Diversity**

Uphold the principles of fairness and the Equality Act 2010 in all undertakings as an employee of the school, including providing a fair, accessible service irrespective of customer’s race, religion, gender, sexuality, disability or age.

**Customer Care**

The ability to fully understand, assess and resolve the needs of all customers including those who present with complex situations, in a manner that respects dignity and expresses a caring and professional image.

**Health and Safety**

Take responsibility for the health and safety of yourself and others who may be affected by your acts or omissions, and comply with all health and safety legislation, policy and safe working practice, including participating in training activities necessary to your post.

**Data Protection and Confidentiality**

Ensure that any personal data or confidential data you hold is kept securely and is not disclosed, whether electronically, verbally or in writing, to any unauthorised third party. Follow school policies and procedures on dealing with personal information and information assets, including the Code of Conduct, Information Management, and ICT Acceptable Use. Personal or confidential data should only be accessed or used for school purposes.

**Fluency Duty**

Should you be required, as a regular and intrinsic part of your role, to speak to members of the public in English, you must be able to converse at ease with customers and provide advice in accurate spoken English, as required by the Immigration Act 2016.

**Working Hours**

The nature and demands of the role are not always predictable and there will be an expectation that work will be required outside of normal hours from time to time.

**Safeguarding**

This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Should the role involve working with the above groups, you will be subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barred List check by the Disclosure and Barring Service.