



Specialist Teaching Assistant ERYCP05 (Grade 4B)

Overall job purpose —

- To make the education and wellbeing of their pupils their first concern, and are accountable for achieving the highest possible standards in work and conduct
- To champion and celebrate the unique qualities of the most vulnerable pupils, especially on the challenging days
- To deliver and be responsible for learning activities to pupils either in classes, groups or on a one-to-one basis
- To support the teachers in planning, evaluating and adjusting work/intervention strategies as appropriate for students. —
- To support children's social and emotional development
- To provide specialist support for speech and language, mental health and social and emotional needs.
- To support provision for learners with SEND and SEMH needs.
- To provide support for pupils, the teacher and the school in order to raise standards of achievement for all pupils (e.g. SEN, EAL, all underachieving groups), by utilising advanced levels of knowledge and skills when assisting with planning, monitoring, assessing and managing pupils, and to encourage pupils to become independent learners, to provide support for their welfare, and to support the inclusion of pupils in all aspects of school life.
- To be support the SENDCO in the development and enhancement of nurture principles across the school and in an internal enhanced provision.

This person's responsibilities are:

- To be responsible for delivery of high-quality learning activities in an internal enhanced provision.
- To be responsible for maintaining a high quality learning environment and resources.
- To work effectively with colleagues to provide high quality outcomes for pupils.
- Support the progress of students with SEND by delivering specialist support and intervention programmes.
- Be responsible for keeping records and updating systems as required by the SLT
- Undertake marking of students' work and recording achievement/progress.
- Promote positive values, attitudes to learning and good pupil behaviour in line with school policy and approaches.
- Monitor and evaluate students' response to these learning activities through observation and recording achievement against pre-determined learning objectives.
- Provide feedback to teachers and students.
- Liaise with parents, staff and outside agencies where necessary
- Establish positive and productive working relationships with pupils and actively promote the inclusion of all pupils.
- Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to child protection, H&S, confidentiality and data protection. Report concerns to appropriate person.
- Attend, and participate in meetings and training activities as required, including those at the end of the school day.
- Undertake planned supervision of pupils on visits, trips and out of school activities/catch-up sessions.
- Responsibility for a caseload of students; providing support to enhance their learning and social wellbeing.
- Deliver social skills, friendship sessions to groups/individuals.

Personal and professional conduct

At Welton teaching assistants will uphold public trust in the education profession by:

- Having proper and professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school as professional members of staff.
- Demonstrating positive attitudes, values and behaviours and loyalty to the school and the pupils to develop and sustain effective relationships within and beyond the school community.
- Champion and celebrate the unique qualities of the most vulnerable pupils, especially on the challenging days.
- Be a role model as a learner, proactively seeking new skills and knowledge.

- Having regard for the need to safeguard pupils' well-being by following relevant statutory guidance along with school policies and practice.
- Upholding values consistent with those required from teachers by respecting individual differences and cultural diversity.
- Committing to improve their own practice through self-evaluation and awareness.

Knowledge and understanding

At Welton teaching assistants are expected to:

- Share responsibility for ensuring that their own knowledge and understanding is relevant and up to date by reflecting on their own practice, liaising with school leaders, and identifying relevant professional development to improve personal effectiveness.
- Take opportunities to acquire the appropriate skills, qualifications, and/or experience required for the teaching assistant role, with support from the school.
- Demonstrate expertise and skills in understanding the needs of all pupils and know how to contribute effectively to the adaptation and delivery of support to meet individual needs.
- Demonstrate a level of subject and curriculum knowledge relevant to their role and apply this effectively in supporting teachers and pupils.
- Understand their roles and responsibilities within the classroom and whole school context recognising that these may extend beyond a direct support role.

Teaching and learning

At Welton teaching assistants are expected to:

- Demonstrate an informed and efficient approach to teaching and learning by adopting relevant strategies to support the work of the teacher and increase achievement of all pupils including, where appropriate, those with special educational needs and disabilities.
- Promote, support and facilitate inclusion by encouraging participation of all pupils in learning and extracurricular activities.
- Use effective behaviour management strategies consistently in line with the school's policy and procedures.
- Contribute to effective assessment and planning by supporting the monitoring, recording and reporting of pupil performance and progress as appropriate to the level of the role.
- Communicate effectively and sensitively with pupils to adapt to their needs and support their learning.
- Maintain a stimulating and safe learning environment by organising and managing physical teaching space and resources.

Working with others

At Welton teaching assistants are expected to:

- Recognise and respect the role and contribution of other professionals, parents and carers by liaising effectively and working in partnership with them.
- With the class teacher, keep other professionals accurately informed of performance and progress or concerns they may have about the pupils they work with.
- Understand their responsibility to share knowledge to inform planning and decision making.
- Understand their role in order to be able to work collaboratively with classroom teachers and other colleagues, including specialist advisory teachers.
- Communicate their knowledge and understanding of pupils to other school staff and education, health and social care professionals, so that informed decision making can take place on intervention and provision.

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- The Teaching Assistant may be called upon to perform other duties that the Headteacher considers reasonable, that are commensurate with the grading and designation of the post