# **Job Description: Graduate Co-teacher**

Reports to: Deputy Head of School Start date: As soon as possible

Salary: Ark Support Scale 4 £23,849 Actual Salary £20,949 Hours: 36 hours per week, term time only plus one week (40

weeks)

Contract: Fixed Term Contract; Contract end date: 31 August 2022

#### The Role

As a Graduate Teaching Assistant, you will get ready to train as a qualified teacher. You will support pupils, parents, teachers, and the school to establish a supportive and nurturing learning environment in which children make rapid academic progress and form habits of excellence.

## **Key Responsibilities**

- Provide support for learning and playtimes
- Feeding back to the teacher on progress made
- Promote independent learning
- Encouraging children to take responsibility for their own learning and promoting development of self-esteem
- Carrying out a child's care plan (education, social, behaviour and personal)

### **Outcomes and Activities**

#### **Learning Support**

- Promote inclusion and acceptance of all pupils in the school, including those with physical, learning and behaviour difficulties
- Work with teachers to assess the needs of individual children
- Work with teachers to implement Individual Education Plans and develop resources for pupils who have English as a second language, speech or language impairments, or behaviours that interfere with learning and/or relationships
- Plan and facilitate group teaching
- Plan and undertake direction for one to one teaching and intervention
- Observe, record and feedback information of pupil performance
- Assist in creating materials for curriculum delivery and display boards
- Assist with whole class teaching
- Assist with behaviour management within and outside the classroom.
- Provide off-site community based opportunities for pupils, if appropriate to the job assignment.
- Assist pupils' achievement outside of the classroom, e.g. computer lab, library.

## **Other support**

- Supervise pupils in playgrounds, lunchrooms, etc.
- Assist with follow-through for related services, e.g. speech/language therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy
- Maintain pupil and family confidentiality
- Attend regular meetings and training, as required
- Maintain stock supplies and distribute as required
- Run extra-curricular activities and participate in trips and visits.

#### **Other**

• Undertake other various responsibilities as directed by the Principal

## **Person specification: Graduate Co-Teacher**

## **Qualification Criteria**

- Undergraduate to degree
- Maths and English GCSE or equivalent at level 4 or above
- 3 A Level's at grade C or above (or equivalent)

## **Knowledge, Skills and Experience**

- Experience of working with young people or adults in a paid or voluntary capacity
- Good communication skills, including written and oral
- · Excellent numeracy and literacy skills
- Competent with computers and other technology
- Good administrative and organisational skills
- Able to understand and implement particular strategies and methods to help pupils to improve their learning and enjoyment of learning
- Able to deal with minor incidents, first aid, and the personal health and hygiene of the pupils
- Understand the importance of confidentiality and discretion

#### **Behaviours**

- A desire to become a qualified teacher in the future
- Genuine passion for and a belief in the potential of every pupil
- A robust awareness of keeping children safe, noticing safeguarding and welfare concerns, and you understand how and when to take appropriate action
- Belief that every student should have access to an excellent education regardless of background
- Professional outlook, detailed orientated and able to multi task and meet deadlines
- A team player that can work collaboratively as well as using own initiative
- Calm and professional under pressure
- Understanding of the importance of confidentiality and discretion
- Flexible attitude towards work and demonstrates sound judgement

#### Other

- Right to work in the UK
- Commitment to equality of opportunity and the safeguarding and welfare of all students
- Willingness to undertake training
- This post is subject to an enhanced DBS check

Ark is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people in our academies. In order to meet this responsibility, we follow a rigorous selection process. This process is outlined <a href="here">here</a>, but can be provided in more detail if requested. All successful candidates will be subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check.