

## **Job Description: Cover Supervisor & Graduate Teaching Assistant**

Reports to: Assistant/Vice Principal

#### The Role

As Cover Supervisor you will support with pupils working consistently through programmes of learning in the event of teacher absence, following core Pioneer classroom routines and overseeing a calm learning environment. You will have training and coaching to ensure you can carry out the role effectively.

In addition, you will support in a Graduate Teaching Assistant role working to establish a supportive learning environment in which all children make good academic progress.

You will be instrumental in our mission to provide every pupil, regardless of their background, a great education and real choices in life.

## **Key Responsibilities**

## **Support for cover**

- Set out clear expectations for pupil learning in any cover lesson, as directed by the Head of Department or senior staff arranging work
- Implement Pioneer classroom routines to ensure the atmosphere is focussed and productive
- Monitor pupil work and support individuals to ensure all pupils can learn

## **Support for pupils**

- Support pupil learning through the delivery of specific learning programmes, setting high expectations whilst encouraging their independence and building their confidence
- Promote inclusion, encouraging pupils to interact and work collaboratively

#### Support for the school

- Supervise pupils in the courtyard, canteen or around the school
- Assist with general pastoral care
- Accompany teachers and pupils on trips and out of school activities as required within contract hours, taking responsibility for pupils under the supervision of the teacher
- Participate in the school enrichment programme

#### Other

- Maintain pupil and family confidentiality
- Carry out other reasonable tasks as directed by the senior team



# Person Specification: Cover Supervisor & Graduate Teaching Assistant

## **Qualification Criteria**

- Right to work in UK
- Qualified to degree level

## **Knowledge, Experience and Skills**

- Experience establishing successful learning relationships with young people, treating them consistently with respect and consideration
- Good numeracy and literacy skills
- Good administrative, organisational and computer skills
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills with children and adults
- Able to deal with minor incidents, first aid, and pupil's personal health and hygiene

#### **Personal Characteristics**

- Genuine passion and a belief in the potential of every pupil
- Deep commitment to Ark's mission of providing an excellent education to every pupil, regardless of background
- Helpful, positive, patient and caring nature
- Able to take direction but also make good judgments and take initiative when required
- Resilient and motivated to continually improve standards and achieve excellence

#### **Other**

- Commitment to equality of opportunity and the safeguarding and welfare of all pupils
- 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.