

Petersgate Infant School – Learning Support Assistant

Job/Person Summary

We are looking for a friendly, flexible and professional person to work in our school supporting children with Special Educational Needs (SEN). We believe that by 'Working together to achieve the best' we can help to nurture and develop the whole child and ensure that every child enjoys learning.

The successful candidate, under the direction of the SENDCo and Class Teacher, would be supporting children with a range of needs, including speech & language, social & communication and behaviour & inclusion. We are looking for a candidate who works well as part of a team, is passionate about working with children and really wants to make a difference.

The successful candidate will:

- Have a least GCSE grade C or equivalent in Maths & English
- Have experience of working with pupils in school setting
- Have experience working with a range of needs including speech, language and communication needs, social, emotional and mental health needs and/or children who are neuro-divergent.
- Be able to deliver interventions and/or programmes and feed key information back to the teacher
- Be able to work with the teacher to plan and deliver teaching activities (including those defined in Individual Education Plans)
- Have a firm, sensitive and effective approach towards positive behaviour management
- Able to liaise with outside agencies
- Have a calm, caring approach towards children
- Be happy to work both inside and out, no matter what the weather!
- Have high expectations
- Be able to work independently and with initiative to adapt to situations as they arise
- Be resilient, flexible, organised and resourceful
- Have an understanding of confidentiality and safeguarding
- Have good communication skills
- Be a team player and have a positive 'can do' attitude
- Have a sense of humour!

As well as:

- Be prepared to undertake further professional development
- Have experience working in a school
- Have a positive outlook and a sense of humour

In return, we can offer:

- A successful, welcoming, inclusive and caring school
- Friendly and motivated children who are eager to learn
- Hard working, committed and supportive colleagues
- A bright and vibrant environment, both inside and outside
- A Learning Support Dog who provides nurture and support for emotional well-being for everyone!

Application Procedure

As the school will be closed for the Christmas holidays, we recommend applicants visit our website to get a feel for our school. Otherwise visits can be booked for January 2025.

Please email completed HCC support staff application forms to adminoffice@petersgate-inf.hants.sch.uk before the deadline to be considered for this role.

Previous applicants need not apply.

Closing Date: Monday 13th January 2024 at 12noon

Interview Date: TBC

Fixed Term:

Start date: ASAP until 31st August 2025 with the possibility of extending

Hours of work: 8:40am – 3:20pm, Monday to Friday, term time only (30min break)

Salary: Grade C: £17,406 approx per annum (£12.65 per hour)