

POST TITLE Class Teacher

LINE MANAGER Headteacher

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITY

Responsible for directing the work of teaching

assistants within the classroom

Subject leadership for the right candidate.

JOB PURPOSE

To teach pupils within the school and to carry out

such other associated duties as are reasonably

assigned by the Headteacher.

## **KEY ACCOUNTABLITIES**

These accountabilities are based on the professional responsibilities of teachers outlined in the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document (STPCD). They are supplemented as relevant by reference to the DfE Teachers' Standards (2012).

# 1. Teaching

# PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- To plan and teach lessons and sequences of lessons to the classes you are assigned to teach, within the context of the school's plans, curriculum, and schemes of work.
- To assess, monitor, record and report on the learning needs, progress, and achievements of assigned pupils.
- To participate in arrangements for preparing pupils for external examinations.

# EXTRACT FROM DfE TEACHERS' STANDARDS (Standards 1-6)

Set high expectations which inspire, motivate and challenge pupils:

- establish a safe and stimulating environment for pupils, rooted in mutual respect
- set goals that stretch and challenge pupils of all backgrounds, abilities, and dispositions
- demonstrate consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour which are expected of pupils.

# Promote good progress and outcomes by pupils:

- be accountable for pupils' attainment, progress and outcomes
- be aware of pupils' capabilities and their prior knowledge, and plan teaching to build on these
- guide pupils to reflect on the progress they have made and their emerging needs
- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of how pupils learn and how this impacts on teaching
- encourage pupils to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study.

# Demonstrate good subject and curriculum knowledge:

- have a secure knowledge of the relevant subject(s) and curriculum areas, foster and maintain pupils' interest in the subject, and address misunderstandings
- demonstrate a critical understanding of developments in the subject and curriculum areas, and
- promote the value of scholarship
- demonstrate an understanding of and take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy, articulacy and the correct use of standard English, whatever the teacher's specialist subject
- if teaching early reading, demonstrate a clear understanding of systematic synthetic phonics if teaching early mathematics, demonstrate a clear understanding of appropriate teaching strategies.

## Plan and teach well-structured lessons:

- impart knowledge and develop understanding through effective use of lesson time
- promote a love of learning and children's intellectual curiosity
- set homework and plan other out-of-class activities to consolidate and extend the knowledge and understanding pupils have acquired
- reflect systematically on the effectiveness of lessons and approaches to teaching
- contribute to the design and provision of an engaging curriculum within the relevant subject area(s).

Adapt teaching to respond to the strengths and needs of all pupils:

- know when and how to differentiate appropriately, using approaches which enable pupils to be taught effectively
- have a secure understanding of how a range of factors can inhibit pupils' ability to learn, and how best to overcome these
- demonstrate an awareness of the physical, social and intellectual development of children, and know how to adapt teaching to support pupils' education at different stages of development
- have a clear understanding of the needs of all pupils, including those with special educational needs; those of high ability; those with English as an additional language; those with disabilities; and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approaches to engage and support them.

Make accurate and productive use of assessment:

- know and understand how to assess the relevant subject and curriculum areas, including statutory assessment requirements
- make use of formative and summative assessment to secure pupils' progress
- use relevant data to monitor progress, set targets, and plan subsequent lessons
- give pupils regular feedback, both orally and through accurate marking, and encourage pupils to respond to the feedback.
- 2. Whole school organisation, strategy and development

## PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- To contribute to the development, implementation and evaluation of the school's policies, practices and procedures in such a way as to support the school's values and vision.
- To work with others on curriculum and/or pupil development to secure co-ordinated outcomes.
- To supervise and, so far as practical, teach any pupils where the person timetabled to take the class is not available to do so, subject to the provision that teachers are required to cover only rarely.

# EXTRACT FROM DfE TEACHERS' STANDARDS (Standard 8 – part)

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities:

- make a positive contribution to the wider life and ethos of the school
- 3. Health, safety, and discipline

#### PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- To promote the safety and well-being of pupils.
- To maintain good order and discipline among pupils.

# EXTRACT FROM DfE TEACHERS' STANDARDS (Standard 7)

Manage behaviour effectively to ensure a good and safe learning environment

- have clear rules and routines for behaviour in classrooms, and take responsibility for promoting good and courteous behaviour both in classrooms and around the school, in accordance with the school's behaviour policy
- have high expectations of behaviour, and establish a framework for discipline with a range of strategies, using praise, sanctions and rewards consistently and fairly
- manage classes effectively, using approaches which are appropriate to pupils' needs in order to involve and motivate them
- maintain good relationships with pupils, exercise appropriate authority, and act decisively when necessary.
- 4. Management of staff and resources

## PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- To direct and supervise support staff assigned to you and, where appropriate, other teachers, in an effective way.
- To contribute to the professional development of other teachers and support staff.
- To deploy resources delegated to you.
- To ensure the safeguarding, and promote the welfare of, all the children in the school community

# EXTRACT FROM DfE TEACHERS' STANDARDS (Standard 8 – part)

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities:

• deploy support staff effectively

# 5. Professional development

#### PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- To participate in arrangements for the appraisal and review of your performance and, where appropriate, that of other teachers and support staff.
- To participate in arrangements for your further training and professional development and, where appropriate, that of other teachers and support staff, including induction.

# EXTRACT FROM DfE TEACHERS' STANDARDS (Standard 8 – part)

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities:

- take responsibility for improving teaching through appropriate professional development, responding to advice and feedback from colleagues.
- 6. Communication

#### PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

• To communicate with pupils, parents and carers.

# EXTRACT FROM DfE TEACHERS' STANDARDS (Standard 8 – part)

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities:

- communicate effectively with parents with regard to pupils' achievements and well-being.
- 7. Working with colleagues and other relevant professionals

### PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

• To collaborate and work with colleagues and other relevant professionals within and beyond the school.

# EXTRACT FROM DfE TEACHERS' STANDARDS (Standard 8 – part)

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities

• develop effective professional relationships with colleagues, knowing how and when to draw on advice and specialist support.

# 8. Personal and professional conduct

A teacher is expected to demonstrate consistently high standards of personal and professional conduct. The following statements define the behaviour and attitudes which set the required standard for conduct throughout a teacher's career.

# EXTRACT FROM DfE TEACHERS' STANDARDS (Part Two)

• Teachers uphold public trust in the profession and maintain high standards of ethics and behaviour, within and outside school by:

o treating pupils with dignity, building relationships rooted in mutual respect, and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher's professional position o having regard for the need to safeguard pupils' well-being, in accordance with statutory provisions o showing tolerance of and respect for the rights of others o not undermining fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect, and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs o ensuring that personal beliefs are not expressed in ways which exploit pupils' vulnerability or might lead them to break the law.

- Teachers must have proper and professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school in which they teach and maintain high standards in their own attendance and punctuality.
- Teachers must have an understanding of, and always act within, the statutory frameworks which set out their professional duties and responsibilities.

# Person specification – Class Teacher

CRITERIA	QUALITIES
Qualifications and experience	Qualified teacher status  Degree
Skills and knowledge	Ability to build effective working relationships with pupils A good understanding of how children learn Knowledge of guidance and requirements around safeguarding children Knowledge of the National Curriculum Knowledge of effective teaching and learning strategies Ability to adapt teaching to meet pupils' needs Knowledge of effective behaviour management strategies Good ICT skills, particularly using ICT to support learning
Personal qualities	A commitment to getting the best outcomes for all pupils and promoting the ethos and values of the school High expectations for children's attainment and progress Ability to work under pressure and prioritise effectively Commitment to maintaining confidentiality at all times Commitment to safeguarding and equality