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Job Description: TEACHING ASSISTANT – Early Years SEND

Job Title: Teaching Assistant – Early Years SEND

Grade: Grade 5

Responsible to: Headteacher/ SENCO

Principal Responsibilities

The successful candidate will:

- Promote the inclusion of children with additional needs by supporting them to participate fully in the life of the Nursery or Reception class.
- Use professional judgement, under the guidance of the class teacher and SENCO, to provide the appropriate level of support, recognising when to step in and when to step back to encourage independence.
- Provide individual support when required to ensure children's safety, emotional regulation and successful participation in learning.
- Deliver targeted interventions and implement strategies recommended by the class teacher, SENCO and external professionals, including Speech and Language Therapy, the Early Years Specialist Teaching Service and other agencies.
- Support children's communication, interaction and engagement through high-quality play, purposeful adult interactions and appropriate communication strategies.
- Use visual supports, structured routines and other agreed approaches to help children access learning and develop independence.
- Build warm, trusting relationships that promote emotional security, confidence and a sense of belonging.
- Work collaboratively with the class teacher, SENCO and external professionals to review and adapt support strategies as children's needs develop.
- Observe children's learning, communication and engagement, contributing to assessment information and next steps for learning.
- Promote positive behaviour through nurturing, relational and consistent approaches, supporting children to develop emotional regulation and positive relationships with others.