

Exceed Academies Trust – Glenaire Primary School
Job Description

Post Title: SEN Support Assistant, Level 2
Pay Range/Grade: Band 5, SCP4 – SCP6

Core Purpose:

To undertake work/care/support programmes to enable access to and enhance learning for pupils and to assist the teacher in the management of pupils and the classroom. Work may be carried out in the classroom or outside the main teaching area.

Supervisory Responsibilities:

Assisting as a member of the classroom team in the supervision of students on work experience, trainees and voluntary helpers with whom the post holder is working

Supervision and Guidance:

To work under the instruction and guidance of teaching & senior staff.

Decision Making:

To make decisions using initiative within established working practices and procedures. The post holder will be expected to use good common sense and initiative in all matters relating to:

- the conduct and behaviour of individuals, groups of pupils and whole classes
- the correct use and care of materials by individual and small groups of pupils
- the safety, mobility (if required) and hygiene and wellbeing of the pupils.

Key Stakeholders:

Internal contact with staff at all levels across the school and Trust, Parents/Carers, Governors, Community Groups, Social Services, Police, Local Education Authority, Contractors and External Agencies.

Duties & Responsibilities

Support for Pupils

- Supervise and provide specific support for pupils, including those with special needs, ensuring their safety, and access to learning activities and progress.
- Establish constructive relationships with pupils and interact with them according to individual needs.
- Promote the inclusion and acceptance of all pupils.

- Encourage pupils to interact with others and engage in activities led by the teacher.
- Set challenging and demanding expectations and promote self-esteem and independence.
- Provide feedback to pupils in relation to progress and achievement under guidance of the teacher.
- Assist with the development and implementation of Individual Education/Behaviour Plans and Personal Care programmes in order to promote pupil learning.

Support for the Teacher

- Create and maintain a purposeful, orderly and supportive environment, in accordance with lesson plans and assist with the display of pupils' work.
- Provide detailed and regular feedback to teachers on pupils' achievement, progress, problems etc.
- Monitor pupils' responses to learning activities and accurately record achievement/progress as directed.
- Promote good pupil behaviour, dealing promptly with conflict and incidents in line with established policy and encourage pupils to take responsibility for their own behaviour
- Establish constructive relationships with parents/carers.
- Provide clerical/admin. support e.g. photocopying, typing, filing, money, administer coursework etc.
- Use strategies, in liaison with the teacher, to support pupils to achieve learning goals.
- Assist with the planning of learning activities.
- Administer routine tests and invigilate exams and undertake routine marking of pupils' work.

Support for the curriculum

- Undertake structured and agreed learning activities/teaching programmes, adjusting activities according to pupil responses.
- Undertake programmes linked to local and national learning strategies e.g. literacy, numeracy, Early years, recording achievement and progress and feeding back to the teacher.
- Support the use of ICT in learning activities and develop pupils' competence and independence in its use.
- Prepare, maintain and use equipment/resources required to meet the lesson plans/relevant learning activity and assist pupils in their use.

Support for the school

- Be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting all concerns to an appropriate person.
- Be aware of and support difference and ensure all pupils have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop.
- Contribute to the overall ethos/work/aims of the school.
- Appreciate and support the role of other professionals.
- Attend and participate in relevant meetings as required
- Participate in training and other learning activities and performance development as required.

- Assist with the supervision of pupils out of lesson times, including before and after school and at lunchtime.
- Accompany teaching staff and pupils on visits, trips and out of school activities as required and take responsibility for a group under the supervision of the teacher.
- To support, uphold and contribute to the development of the Trust/School's Equal Rights policies and practices in respect of both employment issues and the delivery of services to the community.
- Adhere to the schools Professional Code of Conduct for Staff.

Management of Resources

- To maintain the confidential nature of information relating to the school, it's pupils, parents and carers.
- The provision, use and storage of equipment and materials used by pupils with whom the post holder is working. General responsibility for the care of all equipment and materials within the classroom/designated area of the school.

Safeguarding and Compliance

- Promote the safety and wellbeing of pupils and staff within the school
- Uphold the school's policies in respect of Safeguarding and Child Protection
- Through example, ensure good order and discipline is maintained among pupils and staff, and that high expectations regarding safeguarding, behaviour and attendance are communicated and adhered to

This job description should be seen as enabling rather than restrictive and will be subject to regular review.