

# **Tuke School Job Description**

Name		School Name:	Tuke School
Job Title:	Special school Support Assistant		
Grade and Range:	Grade 5 – scp 6 - 13	Hours:	32.5
		Working Pattern:	Term Time only
Reports to:	Head teacher / Deputy Head / Assistant Head/ Class Teacher	Supervises:	As requested

# Purpose and context:

To complement the professional work of teachers by taking responsibility for agreed learning activities under an agreed system of supervision. This may involve planning, preparing and delivering learning activities for individuals/groups or short term for whole classes and monitoring students and assessing, recording and reporting on students achievement, progress and development.

Responsible for the management and development of a specialist area within the school and/or management of other teaching assistants including allocation and monitoring of work, appraisal and training

To work positively as a member of a team under the direction of the class teacher, and to provide support and assistance in the education and care of students aged 11-19years at Tuke School.

To be involved across a wide range of activities, promoting the physical, cognitive, cultural, emotional and social well being of students attending the school.

To promote and practice good relationships with other staff and to ensure that care and consideration is given to the School's Policies, practises and procedures.

# **Principle Accountabilities:**

#### SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

- Assess the needs of students and use detailed knowledge and specialist skills to support students' learning
- Establish productive working relationships with students, acting as a role model and setting high expectations
- Develop and implement individual programmes
- Promote the inclusion and acceptance of all students within the classroom
- Support students consistently whilst recognising and responding to their individual needs in all areas: learning, wellbeing, personal care, mobility, communication, behaviour and medical needs.
- Encourage students to interact and work co-operatively with others and engage all students in activities
- Encourage students during leisure time activities, to develop their play and interaction skills and manage their unstructured time.
- Promote independence and employ strategies to recognise and reward achievement of self-reliance
- Provide feedback to students in relation to progress and achievement

## SUPPORT FOR TEACHERS

- Organise and manage appropriate learning environment and resources
- Within an agreed system of supervision, plan challenging teaching and learning objectives to evaluate and adjust lessons/work plans as appropriate
- Monitor and evaluate pupil responses to learning activities through a range of assessment and monitoring strategies against pre-determined learning objectives
- Provide objective and accurate feedback and reports as required on student achievement, progress and other matters, ensuring the availability of appropriate evidence
- Record progress and achievement in lessons/activities systematically and providing evidence of range and level of progress and attainment
- Work within an established discipline policy to anticipate and manage behaviour constructively, promoting self control and independence
- Supporting the role of parents in students' learning and contribute to/lead meetings with parents to provide constructive feedback on pupil progress/achievement etc.
- Support and aid facilitation for accreditation and qualification courses.
- Production of lesson materials as appropriate to support the learning environment

### SUPPORT FOR THE CURRICULUM

- Deliver learning activities to students within agreed system of supervision, adjusting activities according to pupil responses/needs
- Deliver local and national learning strategies and make effective use of opportunities provided by other learning activities to support the development of students' skills
- Use ICT effectively to support learning activities and develop students' competence and independence in its use
- Select and prepare resources necessary to lead learning activities, taking account of students' interests and language and cultural backgrounds
- Advise on appropriate deployment and use of specialist aid/resources/equipment

#### SUPPORT FOR THE SCHOOL

- Comply with and assist with the development of policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting concerns to an appropriate person
- Be aware of and support difference and ensure all students have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop
- Contribute to the overall ethos/work/aims of the school
- Establish constructive relationships and communicate with other agencies/professionals, in liaison with the teacher, to support achievement and progress of students
- Take the initiative as appropriate to develop appropriate multi-agency approaches to supporting students
- Recognise own strengths and areas of specialist expertise and use these to lead, advise and support others
- Deliver out of school learning activities within guidelines established by the school
- Contribute to the identification and execution of appropriate out of school learning activities which consolidate and extend work carried out in class
- To have due regard for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and to follow the child protection procedures adopted by the Southwark Safeguarding Children's Board and the school's safeguarding policy.

#### LINE MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES WHERE APPROPRIATE

- Manage other teaching assistants
- Liaise between mangers/teaching staff and teaching assistants
- Hold regular team meetings as appropriate
- Represent teaching assistants at teaching staff/management/other appropriate meetings
- Undertake recruitment/induction/appraisal/training/mentoring for other teaching assistants as appropriate

#### **General Statements**

- Required to carry out all reasonable duties and responsibilities of the post in accordance with the Councils' policies and procedures and standing orders.
- Enactment of Health and Safety requirements and initiatives as appropriate
- All employees are required to declare any conflict of interest that may arise before or during their employment.
- Any outside activities, either paid or unpaid, must not in the view of the School conflict with or react detrimentally to the Authority's interest, or in any way weaken public confidence in the conduct of the School's business.
- Undergo and meet school conditions for a satisfactory enhanced DBS check.
- Must comply with all equality legislation, policies and procedures; actively promote ways of eradicating and challenging racism, prejudice and discrimination through the School's policies and procedures.

To have due regard for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and to follow the child protection procedures adopted by the Southwark Safeguarding Children Board. Being aware of responsibilities under the Data Protection act for the security, accuracy and relevance of information held and maintained. Treating all information acquired through your employment, both formally and informally, in strict confidence To demonstrate a commitment to good customer care. Any other duties of an appropriate level and nature will also be required. To contribute as an effective and Participating in training to be able to demonstrate competence. collaborative member of the Participating in medical / first aid training as required. **School Team** Participating in the ongoing development, implementation and monitoring of the service plans. Contributing in meetings and being a supportive member of the school team. Signed: Date: Support staff

Head teacher

Date:

Signed: