



Whipton Barton Federation - Ted Wragg Trust Schools Teaching Assistant

Are you passionate about nurturing children's learning and development?

Would you like to be part of a committed, hardworking and enthusiastic team of professionals?

The Governors of the Whipton Barton Federation are seeking to appoint a permanent Teaching Assistant to work initially in Year 1 at Whipton Barton Infant and Nursery School. The salary is offered at Grade B, starting at £9.43 per hour rising to £9.62 per hour. Working hours will be 29.2 hours per week (8.45am - 3.20pm) Monday to Friday over 38 weeks (term time). You may also be required to cover a lunch duty as and when required. This post is subject to satisfactory references, a probationary period and an enhanced DBS check.

We are an inclusive Federation at the heart of our community and we are looking for a Teaching Assistant who is keen to join us as we continue on our journey to implement effective continuous provision from Nursery to Year 1. We believe that children learn best through well planned and resourced playful learning opportunities and that it is our job to teach them the skills and then give them the time and space to practice and refine their skills through self chosen activities. We are a year into our continuous provision journey in Year One and are excited to continue to develop this model of teaching and learning and are keen to appoint a Teaching Assistant who will share in this passion and commitment. We teach phonics and reading using Read, Write Inc and are looking for a Teaching Assistant with experience of this programme or those who would be willing to learn how to deliver phonics sessions in order to take a group of children for a daily session during our whole school phonics time. You will receive excellent training and ongoing support from our school Reading Leader.

We are looking for candidates who:

- Are highly motivated and committed to children's learning and development
- Believe that children learn best when given the time, space and resources to practise the skills that they have been taught in a continuous provision based environment
- Know the Read, Write Inc phonics programme or are willing to learn
- Have excellent literacy and numeracy skills, at least Grade C or above at GCSE level or equivalent
- Have a kind and caring manner with children
- Can be flexible, adaptable and are willing to take initiative
- Enjoy working as part of a team
- Wish to support the inclusive ethos of our Federation
- Can demonstrate commitment to supporting children to achieve independence
- Will be willing to implement embedded strategies which support behavioural, social and emotional development
- Are able to feedback effectively to class teachers and other adults and agencies

- Can communicate effectively with school staff and parents/carers

Please make reference to the above when you apply.

We can offer you:

- The opportunity to work within a dedicated hard working team and with children who are keen and enthusiastic learners
- Opportunities for professional development and support to further your career in education
- A reduced rate in our Nursery or before and after school childcare for your own children.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS certificate is essential for this post. We offer a Safer Recruitment Policy.

Closing date: Wednesday 4th November at 12 noon

Interview date: Thursday 12th November

For an application pack, please visit our website www.whiptonbarton.org/vacancies