

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School - Job Description



Post title: Class Teacher
School: St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Salary and grade: Main Pay Scale 1 to 5
Responsible to: The Principal and Local Governing Body



Main purpose of the job:

- To support the Catholic ethos, vision, values and aims of our school.
- Be responsible for the learning and achievement of all pupils in the class ensuring equality of opportunity for all.
- Be responsible and accountable for achieving the highest possible standards in work and conduct.
- Treat pupils with dignity, building relationships rooted in Gospel Values, mutual respect and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher's professional position.
- Work proactively and effectively in collaboration and partnership with learners, parents/carers, governors, other staff and external agencies in the best interests of pupils.
- Act within the statutory frameworks, which set out their professional duties and responsibilities and in line with the duties outlined in the current *School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document and Teacher Standards*.
- Take responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school.

Duties and responsibilities

All teachers are required to carry out the duties of a school teacher as set out in the current *School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document*. Teachers should also have due regard to the *Teacher Standards*. Teachers' performance will be assessed against the teacher standards as part of the appraisal and Performance Management process.

Teaching

- Deliver high quality Religious Education, promoting a commitment to the teachings of the Gospel
- Deliver the curriculum as relevant to the age and ability group in subjects that you teach
- Be responsible for the preparation and development of teaching materials, teaching programmes and pastoral arrangements as appropriate (including remote learning when applicable)
- Be accountable for the attainment, progress and outcomes of pupils you teach
- Be aware of pupils' capabilities and their prior knowledge. Plan fully inclusive teaching and differentiate appropriately to meet required pupil outcomes
- Have a clear understanding of the needs of all pupils, including those with special educational needs; gifted and talented; EAL; disabilities; and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approaches to engage and support them
- Demonstrate an understanding of and take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy including the correct use of spoken English (whatever your specialist subject)
- Use an appropriate range of observation, assessment, monitoring and recording strategies as a basis for setting challenging learning objectives for pupils of all backgrounds, abilities and dispositions, monitoring learners' progress and levels of attainment
- Make accurate and productive use of assessment to secure pupils' progress
- Give pupils regular feedback, both orally and through accurate marking, and encourage pupils to respond to the feedback, reflect on progress, their emerging needs and to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study

- Use relevant data to monitor progress, set targets, and plan subsequent lessons
- Set homework and plan other out-of-class activities to consolidate and extend the knowledge and understanding pupils have acquired as appropriate
- Participate in arrangements for examinations and assessments within the remit of the *School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document*.

Behaviour and Safety

- Establish a safe, purposeful and stimulating environment for pupils, rooted in mutual respect and establish a framework for discipline with a range of strategies, using praise, sanctions and rewards consistently and fairly; in line with school policy
- Manage classes effectively, using approaches which are appropriate to pupils' needs in order to inspire, motivate and challenge pupils
- Maintain good relationships with pupils, exercise appropriate authority, and act decisively when necessary
- Be a positive role model and demonstrate consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour, which are expected of pupils
- Have high expectations of behaviour, promoting self-control and independence of all learners
- Carry out playground and other duties as directed and within the remit of the current *School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document*
- Be responsible for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young people within the school, raising any concerns following school policy and procedures.

Team working and collaboration

- Participate in any relevant meetings/professional development opportunities at the school, which relate to the learners, curriculum or organisation of the school including pastoral arrangements and assemblies
- Work as a team member and identify opportunities for working with colleagues and sharing the development of effective practice with them
- Contribute to the selection and professional development of other teachers and support staff including the induction and assessment of new teachers, teachers serving induction periods and where appropriate threshold assessments
- Ensure that colleagues working with you are appropriately involved in supporting learning and understand the roles they are expected to fulfil
- Take part as required in the review, development and management of the activities relating to the curriculum, organisation and pastoral functions of the school
- Cover for absent colleagues within the remit of the current *School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document*.

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities

- Fully support the Catholic life of the school and wider Parish community including school Masses
- Work collaboratively with others to develop effective professional relationships
- Deploy support staff effectively as appropriate
- Communicate effectively with parents/carers with regard to pupils' achievements and well-being using school systems/processes as appropriate
- Communicate and co-operate with relevant external bodies
- Make a positive contribution to the wider life and ethos of the school.

Administration

- Register the attendance of and supervise learners, before, during or after school sessions as appropriate

- Participate in and carry out any administrative and organisational tasks within the remit of the current *School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document*.

Professional development

- Regularly review the effectiveness of your teaching and assessment procedures and its impact on pupils' progress, attainment and well-being, refining your approaches where necessary responding to advice and feedback from colleagues
- Be responsible for improving your teaching through participating fully in training and development opportunities identified by the school or as developed as an outcome of your appraisal
- Proactively participate with arrangements made in accordance with the current Appraisal Regulations.

Other

- To have professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school in which you teach, and maintain high standards in your own attendance and punctuality
- Perform any reasonable duties as requested by the Principal.