Breakfast Club Assistant

The Oaks Infant School, Gore Court Road, Sittingbourne, Kent ME10 1GL

INFORMATION





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Dear Applicant



Thank you for expressing an interest in joining us at The Oaks Infant School.

I hope this pack will give you a flavour of what it is like to be part of our successful and supportive school. We would welcome your request to come and visit us during the school day to see for yourself why we are so proud of our pupils and staff who make up our school community.

Although we have 90 children in every year, we are still able to offer a unique experience for every child. We have very high standards; academically, socially and for each individual's personal development. Our emphasis is placed on offering a creative, meaningful and bespoke curriculum which excites and enthuses our children, drawing on their innate curiosity and thirst for independent learning. We capitalise on children's love of the outdoors and have developed wonderful outdoor learning environments. These are an intrinsic part of our provision, intertwined with our curriculum which has been designed on the philosophy that children of infant age should be learning through doing, exploring, play and creation and with the needs of each evolving cohort in mind. The foundation of our success is a happy, kind and respectful school community who work together to ensure the best possible experience and outcomes for each individual. We are proud to be part of Our Community Multi Academy Trust, a group of ten schools under the leadership and guidance of Chief Executive Officer, Mr David Whitehead.

All new colleagues at The Oaks Infant School are made to feel welcome and professional development of staff across our Multi Academy Trust is one of our top priorities.

If you would like to find out more about our school, please visit our website: <u>www.theoaksinfantschool.co.uk</u> or contact the office: <u>admin@oaks.kent.sch.uk</u> (t: 01795 423619).

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or would like to know more about the role.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Jenny Wynn Head of School

Mrs Catherine Hurst Executive Headteacher



Job Title: Breakfast Club Assistant Grade: KS2 Salary: £2,297.10 pro rata Hours: Monday to Friday 7.50am to 8.50am 5 hours per week Term Time Only This is a fixed term contract

initially (subject to a 6-month probationary period

ADVERT

This is a fabulous opportunity for a dedicated and organised person to join the school team at The Oaks Infant School which is part of Our Community Multi Academy Trust. We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic assistant to join the school's successful and supportive team. This role may be suitable for someone who has had experience of supporting children with mealtimes and enjoys facilitating a calm and happy start to the children's day. We encourage anyone to apply who feels they have the necessary skills and abilities to fulfil the role.

The Oaks Infant School is one of ten schools within Our Community Multi Academy Trust. We are an infant school with 306 of pupils on our roll, which includes a fantastic nursery and specially resourced provision too.

Our Community Multi Academy Trust believe that our people are our biggest asset.

We can offer you:

- The opportunity to work in an excellent school and to contribute to its growth and development
- Students who enjoy coming to Breakfast Club
- A committed staff team determined to give our students the best start to their day
- A supportive and committed board of trustees
- Work within a growing Trust who fully believe in the professional development of their staff.

The successful candidate will:

- Have a kind, caring and nurturing disposition
- Have excellent organisational skills
- Be punctual
- · Communicate well with children, parents and colleagues
- Have good teamwork skills
- Respect confidentiality and the potential sensitivities of working in a school
- Have experience working in a school or nursery setting
- Be able to demonstrate in their application that they can fulfil the main duties of the job description and person specification as a minimum

The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced DBS check along with other pre-employment checks which must be undertaken before the role is confirmed by the school.

Our Community MAT is committed to safeguarding, safer recruitment and promoting the welfare of pupils. Our comprehensive recruitment and selection processes aim to discourage and screen out unsuitable applicants. Successful candidates are subject to rigorous preemployment checks.

We are equally committed to eliminating discrimination and encouraging diversity. We aim for our workforce to be representative of society and that each employee feels respected and able to give their best. We are committed to providing equality and fairness in our recruitment and employment practices and not to discriminate on any grounds. We oppose all forms of unlawful and unfair discrimination.

Applications to be made via Kent Teach.

For further information about the role, please contact Jenny Wynn, via telephone on 01795 423619.



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JOB DESCRIPTION



Purpose of the job

To work under the direction of the Breakfast Club Leader, providing a safe, caring and stimulating environment for children. To build links and work in partnership with parents, carers and professionals to promote the well-being of the children. To assist the Breakfast Club Leader as required.

Key duties and responsibilities

- Undertake the daily supervision of the Breakfast Club, developing and maintaining high standards throughout to ensure the welfare of the children and, when required, supervise the safe escorting of children to ensure their wellbeing at all times.
- Maintain the Breakfast Club to an agreed standard of cleanliness and hygiene, before, during and at the end of each session, to ensure the well-being of the children and staff.
- Be aware of all Health and Safety matters in the Breakfast Club to ensure the well-being of all those who use and work in the club.
- Support the Breakfast Club Leader to ensure that the children, whilst in the Breakfast Club, have access to appropriate and stimulating play activities, in order to provide a motivating environment for the children, and always maintain high standards.
- Provide healthy meals/snacks in order to promote healthy eating and ensure that children, whilst in the Breakfast Club, have access to appropriate activities to support their physical, emotional, social and intellectual development giving consideration to families' ethnic, cultural and linguistic backgrounds, ensuring that the school's Equal Opportunities Policy is adhered to.
- Support the Breakfast Club Leader to maintain all children's records in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation to ensure personal information is secure at all times
- Follow school's policies, including for Safeguarding.
- Keep up to date with relevant training such as health and safety and safeguarding procedures
- Act as a role model adopting personal standards of behaviour with Trust staff, Trust pupils and the wider community which support the highest possible standards putting children at the centre of everything you do.
- Adhere to all health and safety regulations and be aware of health and safety issues within the Trust and its individual schools and how they impact of pupils, staff and visitors to the school.
- Maintain confidentiality and discretion in all aspects of work.
- Our Community Multi Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.
- Any other work requested by, and deemed appropriate by, strategic leaders

This role is subject to an enhanced DBS check

Footnote: This job description is provided to assist the job holder to know what his/her main duties are. It may be amended from time to time without change to the level of responsibility appropriate to the grade of post

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Breakfast Club Assistant

Applicants should describe in their application how they meet these criteria.

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	•	GCSE grade A*-C in English and
/ Education		mathematics
/		Paediatric First Aid Qualification
		or willingness to obtain.
Experience	 Experience of supervising others Experience of planning ahead, able to anticipate potential difficulties and establish a course of action Experience of communicating effectively with others and providing appropriate feedback 	 Knowledge and experience of the School Food Standards Experience of working within a childcare setting. Knowledge and experience of policies and procedures relating to Child Protection, health and safety, equal opportunities and confidentiality.
Skills	 Demonstrably responsible, honest and reliable Able to work flexibly Good communication and organisational skills (written and oral) 	 Methodical and organised approach to work Creativity in order to make Breakfast Club a relevant and engaging experience for children Able to work across Trust schools
	 Customer friendly nature with a tactful, professional and flexible approach Able to build positive relationships with children and their families Able to instil good manners and an enjoyable mealtime experience with children 	in the interest of the welfare of children
Personal	• Able to maintain confidentiality	
attributes	 Flexible and responsive to change Self-motivated and pro-active Appropriate levels of personal presentation Good sense of humour Diplomatic and resourceful Positive/can do approach Good time keeping and attendance Loyalty – act as an ambassador for the Trust with visitors and all members of Trust community 	







OCMAT OVERVIEW

We believe that every part of the body is valuable and integral to the whole (1 Corinthians 12: 14-16). Therefore, we will create a community of schools that, whilst being diverse and unique in their own context, will ensure every child receives the highest quality educational experiences and pastoral support. At the heart of our Trust's vision is a belief in educational excellence, the belief that Our Community Multi Academy Trust is called to serve pupils, staff, families, and the local community by providing places where children develop and thrive academically, socially, culturally, and spiritually in the safest environments possible.

Our Community Multi Academy Trust is committed to sustaining high quality schools. Our focus is to maintain a selfsustaining school improvement model that draws on a wealth of practice and expertise across the Trust facilitated by experienced school improvement leads. Pedagogical excellence is at the heart of our improvement model with a sustained focus on collaborative and mastery learning.

We will maintain and strengthen a shared culture which requires every member of our community, whatever their role, staff or pupil, governor, or parent, to take responsibility for their position and be accountable for what they achieve. We will be driven by a desire to make a positive impact on the lives of all children. This shared community culture will respect, uphold, and complement each school's distinctive ethos and character.

Belonging to Our Community Multi-Academy Trust offers greater opportunities for influence than single schools can achieve. Working together the Trust aims to be greater than the sum of its constituent schools. At the same time, we recognise the unique character of each of our schools and the important role they play with their local community. We will work tirelessly to maintain each school's status within their locality and strengthen their character and reputation.

THE COMPASSIONATE LEADER

- Will show empathy with children, staff and families through their leadership behaviours
- Will act with fairness and consistency at all times
- Will give credit where it is due and show appreciation for the efforts of every member of staff
- Will not be afraid to make mistakes and will show their own vulnerabilities
- Will go above and beyond to recruit and retain good staff
- Will be unconditionally inclusive
- Will have courageous conversations
- Will be reflective on their own professional practice and be receptive to advice offered

កំ THE COLLABORATIVE LEADER

- Will articulate a clear vision for their school which is understood and acted upon by all staff, pupils and families
- Will engage in and promote all Trust wide activities working in a positive partnership with all Trust staff
- Will unconditionally work with other professionals both within and outside of the Trust for the greater good of our children
- Will display commitment to their staff and school priorities, resulting in high staff morale
- Will motivate their staff with passion, enthusiasm and inspiration making staff feel valued for their contribution to the school and the Trust

THE COMMUNITY LEADER

- Will be highly visible within their own school setting and the local community
- Will be accountable for their actions and decisions
- Will act with integrity, drawing on their values to guide their decisions
- Will empower and enable staff by leading by example
- Will positively promote the Trust and school at all times

OUR SCHOOLS

Primary

Borden Church of England Primary School, ME9 8JS Bredgar Church of England Primary School, ME9 8HB Dymchurch Primary School, TN29 0LE Lydd Primary School, TN29 9HW Lynsted & Norton Primary School, ME9 0RL Milstead & Frinsted Church of England Primary School, ME9 0SJ Minterne Junior School, ME10 1SB Petham Primary School, CT4 5RD Selling Church of England Primary School, ME13 9RQ The Oaks Infant School, ME10 1GL

TRUST CENTRAL TEAM

Central Support Team

(based at Lynsted & Norton Primary School)

Human Resources Team

Finance Team

Business Support & Management Information Team

ICT Support

Trust Executive Team - School Improvement

Inclusion Executive Officer

Standards Executive Officer

EYFS Executive Officer



The Application Process

Applications will only be accepted from candidates who complete our application form. Application forms can be found on the Kent-Teach website. Alternatively, please contact <u>trusthr@ocmat.org.uk</u> for a paper application form.

The Shortlisting and Interview Process

After the closing date for this post, a panel will conduct a shortlisting process. You will be selected for interview based entirely on the contents of your application form and we therefore suggest you read the Job Description and Person Specification fully prior to completing your application.

If your application is shortlisted, the Trust reserves the right to conduct an online search as part of our safer recruitment checks in line with KCSIE guidance. Any relevant information found with regards to a candidate's suitability to work with children will be discussed at interview.

Candidates selected for interview will be informed. All candidates who are invited to interview must bring the following original documents:

- Documents to evidence right to work in the UK
- Visual identification which includes a photograph (driving licence or passport)
- Documentary proof of current name and address
- Where appropriate, documentation evidencing change of name
- Certificates of educational or professional qualifications that are necessary or relevant for the post

Conditional Offer

Any offer of employment will be conditional upon a number of formalities, including, but not restricted to the following:

- Verification of right to work in the UK
- Receipt of two satisfactory references
- Verification of identity checks and qualifications
- Satisfactory enhanced DBS check and appropriate checks that may be required if you have worked or been resident overseas in the past five years
- Satisfactory pre-employment health clearance
- A check against the Teacher Service Register for any teaching prohibition or restriction orders where you are applying for a teaching role or if you have previously held an employed teaching role

Safeguarding

OCMAT has robust safer recruitment procedures to help prevent unsuitable people from working with children.

All individuals working in any capacity at our Trust will be subjected to safeguarding checks in line with the statutory guidance Keeping Children Safe in Education.

Retention of Information

All information is stored securely and any information supplied by unsuccessful candidates will be destroyed through the confidential waste system six months from the date of interview or submission date of application if not successful for interview, in accordance with our retention or records procedure.

Please visit the OCMAT website for all Trust Policies. <u>www.ocmat.org.uk</u>

Mr David Whitehead, CEO, Our Community Multi Academy Trust

OUR COMMUNITY MULTI ACADEMY TRUST C/O LYNSTED & NORTON PRIMARY SCHOOL LYNSTED LANE SITTINGBOURNE KENT ME9 ORL

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