



Primary Class Teacher

POSITION:	Class teacher
REPORTS TO:	Leadership Team
GRADE:	Teachers Pay & Conditions

KEY PURPOSE OF THE JOB

To take responsibility for the education and welfare of a designated class of children in accordance with the current School Teachers' Pay and Conditions document, having due regard to the requirements of the National Curriculum and LEA and school policies.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

1. To take responsibility for planning and implementing appropriate work programmes for all children in the designated class, within the framework of national and school policies.
2. To maintain assessment records and report on pupils' progress to senior staff and to parents and carers, in accordance with school policy.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTABILITIES

1. To plan work for the class in accordance with national, LA and school curriculum policies and in co-operation with subject and phase leaders to ensure that the children experience a broad, balanced, relevant and stimulating curriculum.
2. To ensure a close match between the learning experience offered, and the individual needs of the children in the class, so as to give each child an opportunity to achieve to the maximum of his/her capability.
3. To make appropriate educational provision for children with SEN and those learning EAL, with support from the SENCo and EMA Co-ordinators
4. Where possible, to make sure that the majority of the children's work is closely linked to first-hand practical experience.
5. To provide children with opportunities to manage their own learning and become independent learners.

6. To create a secure, happy and stimulating classroom environment, maintaining the highest standards of organisation, and discipline.
7. To foster each child's self-image and esteem and establish relationships which are based on mutual respect.
8. To maintain a high standard of display both in the classroom and in other areas of the school.
9. To arrange for resources, equipment and materials to be available in such a way that they are properly cared for, easily accessible and will encourage the children to become more responsible for their own learning.
10. To work closely with colleagues to undertake medium and short term planning and the implementation of agreed schemes of work.
11. To assess children's progress, maintain records and provide written reports to parents and carers in accordance with school policies.
12. To communicate and consult with parents and carers and with outside agencies, as necessary, about children's progress and attainment.
13. To ensure that the school's aims and objectives in relation to the curriculum, equal opportunities and discipline are promoted in every day classroom organisation and practice.
14. To liaise with support staff both school based, from the LA & from other external bodies as required.
15. To take responsibility for the management of other adults in the classroom.
16. To take up the opportunity for continuous professional development through self-directed reading, courses and in-service training.
17. To undertake any other reasonable and relevant duties in accordance with the changing needs of the school.
18. To take responsibility for a curriculum subject area as agreed with the headteacher as detailed below (this will not be a core subject):
 - Promote the teaching of the agreed subject throughout the school, according to the requirements of the National Curriculum/QCA schemes of work and any other new initiatives from the Department for Education and Skills.

- In conjunction with the head teacher or other senior staff, be responsible for the implementation and management of the school's policy for the agreed subject area
- Review the policy and adapt it as appropriate
- Develop a scheme of work for the subject suitable to the needs of a primary school catering for 3 – 11 year olds
- Take responsibility for maintaining and evaluating all material resources with a system of easy accessibility. To consult colleagues and be responsible for ordering resources within an agreed budget in full consultation with the head teacher
- Offer support and advice to colleagues.

KEY ORGANISATIONAL OBJECTIVES

The Post holder will contribute to the school's objectives in service delivery by:

- Enactment of Health and Safety requirements and initiatives as directed
- Ensuring compliance with Data Protection legislation
- At all times operating within the school's Equal Opportunities framework
- Commitment and contribution to improving standards for pupils as appropriate
- Acknowledging Customer Care and Quality initiatives
- Contributing to the maintenance of a caring and stimulating environment for pupils

CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

Governed by the National Agreement on Teachers' Pay and Conditions, supplemented by local conditions as agreed by the governors.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

Because of the nature of the post, candidates are not entitled to withhold information regarding convictions by virtue of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exemptions) Order 1975 as amended. Candidates are required to give details of any convictions on their application form and are expected to disclose such information at the appointed interview.

Because this post allows substantial access to children, candidates are required to comply with departmental procedures in relation to Police checks. If candidates are successful in their application, prior to taking up post, they will be required to give



written permission to the Department to ascertain details from the Metropolitan Police regarding any convictions against them and, as appropriate the nature of such convictions.

Equal Opportunity

The post holder will be expected to carry out all duties in the context of and in compliance with the Council's Equal Opportunities Policies.

The above list is indicative and not exhaustive. The post holder is expected to carry out all such additional duties as are reasonably commensurate with the role.

Employees are expected to present themselves and to act in a professional manner at all times, according to The Beyond Schools Trust's Code of Conduct.

I agree that this job description conveys an accurate description of this job.

This job description is not exhaustive and subject to review by the Head of School in consultation with the post holder as appropriate to the changing needs of the Academy, or anticipates changes in the job commensurate with the grade and job title.

Employees will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from a manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description.

The Trust will endeavour to make any necessary reasonable adjustment to the job and the working environment to enable access to employment opportunities for disabled applicants or continued employment for any employee who develops a disabling condition.

Signed Date
On behalf of The Beyond Schools Trust

Signed..... Date.....
Employee

Teachers' Standards

Preamble

Teachers make the education of their pupils their first concern, and are accountable for achieving the highest possible standards in work and conduct. Teachers act with honesty and integrity; have strong subject knowledge, keep their knowledge and skills as teachers up-to-date and are self-critical; forge positive professional relationships; and work with parents in the best interests of their pupils.

Part one: Teaching

A teacher must:

1 Set high expectations which inspire, motivate and challenge pupils

- establish a safe and stimulating environment for pupils, rooted in mutual respect
- set goals that stretch and challenge pupils of all backgrounds, abilities and dispositions
- demonstrate consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour which are expected of pupils.

2 Promote good progress and outcomes by pupils

- be accountable for pupils' attainment, progress and outcomes
- be aware of pupils' capabilities and their prior knowledge, and plan teaching to build on these
- guide pupils to reflect on the progress they have made and their emerging needs
- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of how pupils learn and how this impacts on teaching
- encourage pupils to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study.

3 Demonstrate good subject and curriculum knowledge

- have a secure knowledge of the relevant subject(s) and curriculum areas, foster and maintain pupils' interest in the subject, and address misunderstandings

- demonstrate a critical understanding of developments in the subject and curriculum areas, and promote the value of scholarship
- demonstrate an understanding of and take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy, articulacy and the correct use of standard English, whatever the teacher's specialist subject
- if teaching early reading, demonstrate a clear understanding of systematic synthetic phonics
- if teaching early mathematics, demonstrate a clear understanding of appropriate teaching strategies.

4 Plan and teach well structured lessons

- impart knowledge and develop understanding through effective use of lesson time
- promote a love of learning and children's intellectual curiosity
- set homework and plan other out-of-class activities to consolidate and extend the knowledge and understanding pupils have acquired
- reflect systematically on the effectiveness of lessons and approaches to teaching
- contribute to the design and provision of an engaging curriculum within the relevant subject area(s).

5 Adapt teaching to respond to the strengths and needs of all pupils

- know when and how to differentiate appropriately, using approaches which enable pupils to be taught effectively
- have a secure understanding of how a range of factors can inhibit pupils' ability to learn, and how best to overcome these
- demonstrate an awareness of the physical, social and intellectual development of children, and know how to adapt teaching to support pupils' education at different stages of development
- have a clear understanding of the needs of all pupils, including those with special educational needs; those of high ability; those with English as an additional language; those with disabilities; and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approaches to engage and support them.

6 Make accurate and productive use of assessment

- know and understand how to assess the relevant subject and curriculum areas, including statutory assessment requirements
- make use of formative and summative assessment to secure pupils' progress
- use relevant data to monitor progress, set targets, and plan subsequent lessons
- give pupils regular feedback, both orally and through accurate marking, and encourage pupils to respond to the feedback.

7 Manage behaviour effectively to ensure a good and safe learning environment

- have clear rules and routines for behaviour in classrooms, and take responsibility for promoting good and courteous behaviour both in classrooms and around the school, in accordance with the school's behaviour policy
- have high expectations of behaviour, and establish a framework for discipline with a range of strategies, using praise, sanctions and rewards consistently and fairly
- manage classes effectively, using approaches which are appropriate to pupils' needs in order to involve and motivate them
- maintain good relationships with pupils, exercise appropriate authority, and act decisively when necessary.

8 Fulfil wider professional responsibilities

- make a positive contribution to the wider life and ethos of the school
- develop effective professional relationships with colleagues, knowing how and when to draw on advice and specialist support
- deploy support staff effectively
- take responsibility for improving teaching through appropriate professional development, responding to advice and feedback from colleagues
- communicate effectively with parents with regard to pupils' achievements and well-being.

Part two: Personal and professional conduct

A teacher is expected to demonstrate consistently high standards of personal and professional conduct. The following statements define the behaviour and attitudes which set the required standard for conduct throughout a teacher's career.

Teachers uphold public trust in the profession and maintain high standards of ethics and behaviour, within and outside school, by:

- treating pupils with dignity, building relationships rooted in mutual respect, and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher's professional position
- having regard for the need to safeguard pupils' well-being, in accordance with statutory provisions
- showing tolerance of and respect for the rights of others
- not undermining fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect, and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs
- ensuring that personal beliefs are not expressed in ways which exploit pupils' vulnerability or might lead them to break the law.

Teachers must have proper and professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school in which they teach, and maintain high standards in their own attendance and punctuality.

Teachers must have an understanding of, and always act within, the statutory frameworks which set out their professional duties and responsibilities.