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Nurture Leader

Job Description

Vision Statement

We are a warm, welcoming and inclusive school rooted in our rural community. Like the mustard seed, we grew from tiny beginnings and our branches are now spread wide –providing support and taking our values beyond the school gates. All those in our community feel safe and nurtured - able to flourish and grow academically, spiritually, emotionally and physically to achieve their full God-given potential.

"Nurtured We Flourish"

Our Values

Everything that we do in school is underpinned by our core Christian values and these are the basis for all the experiences we offer our pupils:

Love Forgiveness Fellowship

Job Description: Nurture Learning Support Assistant

Grade: KSD

Responsible to: Inclusion Leader

Liaise With: Pastoral and Inclusion Team and Class Teachers

Main Purpose of Job

To work with teachers and our Inclusion and Pastoral Team to plan, organise and provide specific nurture teaching for our most vulnerable children, in order to support their social and emotional well-being and educational outcomes. To plan, provide and resource excellent nurture group provision for our children, providing general and specific assistance to pupils under the direction, guidance and supervision of the Inclusion and Pastoral Team.

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Key Duties and Responsibilities

- Work with individuals, small groups of children or classes to provide nurture interventions and lessons.
- Support in developing the social and emotional well-being of all children within our school.
- Support our most vulnerable children to develop emotional resilience and positive learning behaviours so that they can access learning within the classroom.
- Support pupils to understand and follow instructions allowing development of independent learning and inclusion of all pupils.
- Develop methods of promoting and reinforcing children's self-esteem and social interaction.
- Use teaching and learning and boxall profile objectives to evaluate and adjust lesson plans as appropriate.
- Prepare the nurture classroom / outside area for lessons / group activities, ensuring that resources are available and cleared away at the end of sessions as appropriate. Contribute to the development of an effective and safe learning environment.
- Deliver specified work to individuals, small groups and classes, modifying and adapting activities as necessary.
- Manage the behaviour of pupils whilst they are undertaking learning in line with the school's behaviour management principles and systems.
- Report back, as appropriate, using agreed procedures, on the behaviour of pupils during the session, and any issues arising.
- Assess, record and report on development, progress and attainment (Boxall Profile and curriculum
 assessments), maintaining accurate records regarding progress, areas of development and next steps
 and providing regular feedback to the teacher / Inclusion and Pastoral Team.
- Assess the needs of pupils and use skills to support pupils' learning.
- Liaise with staff and other relevant professionals and provide support/advice to meet the needs of pupils.
- Attend meetings, as appropriate, with the Headteacher, SLT, Inclusion Leader, teaching staff and external agencies.
- Maintain a professional and discreet attitude at all times.
- Follow the school's child protection procedures, maintaining confidentiality and sensitivity to pupils needs but having regard to the safeguarding policy and procedures of the school.
- Maintain strict confidentiality with regard to both pupils and staff within and outside of the school.
- Understand and apply the school policies on teaching and learning and behaviour management.

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Nurture Leaders will also undertake some or all of the following:

- Leading teaching and learning in specific nurture groups or interventions.
- Assist with break-time / lunch-time supervision, including facilitating games and activities, supporting
 children to dynamically risk assess their play and supporting children to access the different play
 types through our OPAL Play offer.
- Assist the class teacher on educational visits and with special events throughout the year.
- Mark pupils learning under the direction of the teacher.
- Support pupils in using basic IT.
- Cover a class should the teacher be absent for a short period of time.
- Undertake first aid training and be a part of the first aid team.
- Participate in professional development through training and courses.
- Work with pupils on therapy or care programmes, designed by a therapist / teacher.
- Attend to pupils' personal needs including toileting, hygiene, dressing and eating, as well as helping with social, welfare and health matters, reporting problems to the teacher as appropriate.
- Support the role of parents/carers in pupils' learning and contribute to meetings with parents/carers to provide constructive feedback on pupil progress/achievement etc.
- Supervise the work and development of other classroom support staff.
- Assist the Headteacher and staff at the school to implement the School Improvement Plan.
- Any other duties as directed by the Headteacher which are reasonably required for the fulfilment of the role.

This job description may be amended at any time in consultation with the postholder.

Harrietsham Church of England Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Any appointment will be subject to a satisfactory enhanced DBS, barred list check and references.

Harrietsham Church of England Primary School is committed to creating a diverse workforce. We will consider all qualified applicants for employment without regard to sex, race, religion, belief, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, pregnancy, maternity, age, disability, marriage or civil partnership.

Headteacher:	Date:
Postholder:	Date: