Fordcombe Primary School

Learning Mentor Job Description & Person Specification

Job Title:	Learning Mentor				
Line Manager:	Headteacher/SLT				
Purpose of Job:					
	To provide support and guidance to children and young people who are experiencing difficulties in learning due to social, emotional or behavioural problems or other issues.				
Specific Responsibilities:					
	 To promote positive behaviour patterns, raise self-esteem and improve independent working in pupils to assist their education and growth. To support the physical and emotional well-being of pupils. To promote and support inclusion for all children including pupils with SEN, EAL and those with a physical disability. To build and maintain positive and professional relationships with pupils, treating all children consistently, with respect and consideration. To help develop pupils' confidence and self-esteem through listening to them and devising appropriate programmes of support. To implement individual programmes for specific pupils under the guidance of the Headteacher, SLT or outside agencies. To develop and agree action plans for individual pupils and groups of pupils. To liaise with the Headteacher, SLT, class teachers and parents regarding the support in place for pupils. To support pupils in the classroom, playground or in a 1:1 setting. To support underperforming learners in identifying issues which are creating barriers to learning and help them in beginning to address these barriers. To maintain records on pupils' attendance, punctuality and progress and be able to recognise how these link with pupils' wellbeing. To support pupils with the transition to secondary education. Be familiar with, and comply with a full range of policies and procedures relating to safeguarding, health & safety and confidentiality. Ensure all concerns are reported to the appropriate person Work collaboratively with colleagues and build and maintain professional and positive relationships. Strive to continually develop practice through taking on feedback and seeking out CPD opportunities. 				

Personal education and qualification					
	 To have qualifications in Maths and English GCSE, grade C or above or equivalent. To have Learning Support Assistant Level 3 qualification or higher education qualifications. To have the ability to communicate using standard English To have basic ICT skills for record keeping and completing referral forms to outside agencies. 				
Desirable personal skills					
	□ Professional and honest				
	□ Maturity				
	□ Positive and nurturing				
	☐ Ability to relate to young people and act as a positive role model				
	□ Excellent interpersonal skills				
	☐ Effective listening skills				
	☐ A non-judgemental approach				
	☐ Excellent communication skills (both written and verbal)				
	 Resilience- the ability to remain calm and work well under pressure 				
	☐ Excellent use of initiative and quick thinking				
	□ Ability to work creatively and collaboratively				
	☐ Flexible and open to change				
	☐ Good organisational skills				
	□ Problem solving skills				