

The Forest Federation
of Soudley, Steam Mills Primary and Woodside Primary Schools

Class Teacher Job Description

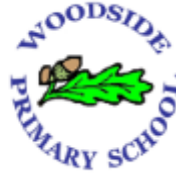
Post	Class teacher
School	The Forest Federation of Soudley, Steam Mills Primary and Woodside Primary Schools
Contract	Full time and permanent from 1 st Sept 2025
Pay Range	Teacher pay scales M1-6 or UPS1-3 commensurate with training, knowledge and experience
Job Purpose	Class teacher, to carry out the professional duties of a teacher in accordance with DfE Teachers Standards and the Federations policies.
Overview	The role will initially be at Steam Mills Primary School. Staff employed by the Federation can be expected to work at any of the schools in the Federation. All teachers are expected to undertake subject leader activities.

General duties

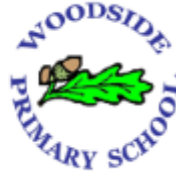
- Continuously meet at least the minimum standards outlined in the DfE's Teachers' Standards, detailed below.
- Comply with school policies and procedures, in particular those relating to teaching, learning and assessment; child protection and safeguarding.
- Attend staff meetings, INSET days, parents' evenings, and any other functions or meetings required.
- Support the federation aims and subject leaders e.g. through subject improvement plans and working well with colleagues across the schools.
- Take responsibility for completing CPD and keeping up to date with developments.
- Establish effective working relationships with colleagues and set a good example for pupils through a high level of professionalism.
- Participate in performance-related appraisal arrangements made by the school.

Teaching (DfE Teacher Standards)

- Set high expectations which inspire, motivate and challenge pupils by:
 - Establishing a safe and stimulating environment for pupils, rooted in mutual respect.
 - Setting goals that stretch and challenge pupils of all backgrounds, abilities and dispositions.
 - Demonstrating consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour which are expected of pupils.
- Promote good progress and outcomes for pupils by:
 - Being accountable for pupils' attainment, progress and outcomes.
 - Being aware of pupils' capabilities and prior knowledge, and planning teaching to build on these.
 - Guiding pupils to reflect on the progress they have made and their emerging needs.
 - Demonstrating knowledge and understanding of how pupils learn and how this impacts teaching.
 - Encouraging pupils to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study.



- Demonstrate good subject and curriculum knowledge by:
 - Having a secure knowledge of the relevant subjects and curriculum areas, fostering and maintaining pupils' interest in the subject, and addressing misunderstandings.
 - Demonstrating a critical understanding of developments in the subject and curriculum areas, and promoting the value of scholarship.
 - Demonstrating an understanding of and taking responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy, articulacy and the correct use of standard English, whatever the teacher's specialist subject.
 - Demonstrating a clear understanding of systematic synthetic phonics for early reading.
 - Demonstrating a clear understanding of appropriate teaching strategies for early maths.
- Plan and teach well-structured lessons by:
 - Imparting knowledge and developing understanding through effective use of lesson time.
 - Promoting a love of learning and children's intellectual curiosity.
 - Setting homework and planning other out-of-class activities to consolidate and extend the knowledge and understanding pupils have acquired.
 - Reflecting systematically on the effectiveness of lessons and approaches to teaching.
 - Contributing to the design and provision of an engaging curriculum within the relevant subject areas.
- Adapt teaching to respond to the strengths and needs of all pupils by:
 - Knowing when and how to differentiate appropriately, using approaches which enable pupils to be taught effectively.
 - Having a secure understanding of how a range of factors can inhibit pupils' ability to learn, and how best to overcome these.
 - Demonstrating an awareness of the physical, social and intellectual development of children, and knowing how to adapt teaching to support pupils' education at different stages of development.
 - Having a clear understanding of the needs of all pupils, including pupils with SEND, pupils of high ability and pupils with EAL, and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approaches to engage and support them.
- Make accurate and productive use of assessment by:
 - Knowing and understanding how to assess the relevant subject and curriculum areas, including statutory assessment requirements.
 - Making use of formative and summative assessment to monitor pupils' progress.
 - Using relevant data to monitor progress, set targets, and plan subsequent lessons.
 - Giving pupils regular feedback, both orally and through accurate marking, and encouraging pupils to respond to the feedback.
- Manage behaviour effectively to ensure a good and safe learning environment by:
 - Having clear rules and routines for behaviour in classrooms, and taking responsibility for promoting good and courteous behaviour both in classrooms and around the school, in accordance with the relevant Behaviour Policy.
 - Having high expectations of behaviour, and establishing a framework for discipline with a range of strategies, using praise, sanctions and rewards consistently and fairly.



- Managing classes effectively, using approaches which are appropriate to pupils’ needs in order to involve and motivate them.
- Maintaining good relationships with pupils, exercising appropriate authority, and acting decisively when necessary.
- Fulfil wider professional responsibilities by:
 - Making a positive contribution to the wider life and ethos of the school.
 - Developing effective professional relationships with colleagues, knowing how and when to draw on advice and specialist support.
 - Deploying support staff effectively.
 - Taking responsibility for improving teaching through appropriate professional development, responding to advice and feedback from colleagues.
 - Communicating effectively with parents with regard to pupils’ achievements and wellbeing.

Personal and professional conduct (DfE Teacher Standards)

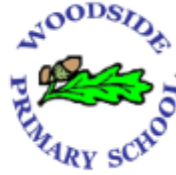
- Uphold public trust in the profession and maintain high standards of ethics and behaviour, within and outside school, by:
 - Treating pupils with dignity, building relationships rooted in mutual respect, and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher’s professional position.
 - Having regard for the need to safeguard pupils’ wellbeing, 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.
- Have proper and professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school, and maintain high standards in attendance and punctuality.
- Have an understanding of, and always act within, the statutory frameworks which set out teachers’ professional duties and responsibilities.

Organisation

- Assist in the development of the curriculum, schemes of work, teaching resources, marking policies and teaching strategies alongside other teachers and the subject leader.
- Identify clear teaching objectives, content, and lesson structures, and plan sequences of lessons appropriate to the subject content and the pupils being taught.
- Incorporate the use of resources into lesson plans, ensuring that equipment is in good working order and suitable for teaching use, and that resources are used effectively.

Additional duties

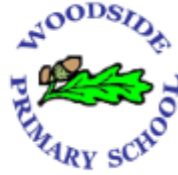
- Assist with the organisation of enrichment activities, such as termly joint Federation Days.



- Assist with the promotion of their subject across the federation, through the subject leader handbook expectations.
- Carry out additional tasks as reasonably expected under the direction of the Executive Headteacher and senior leadership team.

Class Teacher Person Specification

Qualifications and training	
Essential	Desirable
Qualified teacher status	A paediatric first aid certificate.
Skills and experience	
Essential	Desirable
<p>Substantive experience of teaching effectively within a school environment or, for early career teachers, work or voluntary experience in a comparable environment.</p> <p>Ability to lead a subject across the federation (unless in first year of ECT)</p> <p>Conducting assessments, keeping records and producing reports on pupils.</p> <p>Implementing safeguarding procedures in schools.</p> <p>Good behaviour management strategies and ability to comply with school policy</p>	<p>Experience of teaching mixed classes</p> <p>Experience of teaching in KS1 and KS2</p>
Knowledge	
Essential	Desirable
<p>A clear understanding of the primary curriculum and assessment expectations</p> <p>Sufficient knowledge to answer subject-related questions raised by pupils.</p> <p>An ability to use different teaching methods and adapt to cater for pupils' different needs.</p> <p>Knowledge of effective intervention strategies to improve the quality of teaching and learning.</p>	<p>An understanding of relevant legislation and educational developments.</p> <p>An understanding of how assessment and attainment information can be used to improve practice.</p> <p>Skills in effective resource management and deployment.</p>



Personal traits	
The successful candidate will be	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Punctual, with a good attendance record.• An excellent communicator, verbally and in writing.• Organised.• An excellent time manager.• Hardworking, with high expectations of themselves and their professional standards.• Committed to CPD.• Able to work both independently and as part of a team.• Able to maintain successful working relationships with other colleagues.• Able to plan and resource effective interventions to meet curricular objectives.• Driven and energetic.• Committed to the value and promotion of their subject/area of responsibility	
The successful candidate will also be	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dedicated to promoting their professional development, and that of others.• Able to promote good behaviour consistently.• Able to plan and take control of situations.• Committed to contributing to the wider school and its community.• Able to effectively promote the school's ethos and vision.• Capable of handling a demanding workload and successfully prioritising work.• Professionally assertive and clear thinking.• Able to work flexibly and manage workload.	
Additional requirements	
The successful candidate will have	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An enhanced DBS certificate and barred list check.• Evidence for their previous work experience.• Two references from current and previous employers/University tutors.	

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, each individual task undertaken may not be identified. 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. This job description may be amended at any time following discussion between the Executive Head Teacher and member of staff and will be reviewed annually as part of Performance Management.

Signed _____

Print name _____

Date _____