



Job description: Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) leader

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Job details

Salary: Mainscale + TLR2C (£5619)

Hours: Full-time

Contract type: Permanent

Reporting to: the Headteacher

Responsible for: EYFS Teachers/ LSAs/ TAs/ Volunteers

Main purpose

In addition to:

- Fulfilling the professional responsibilities of a teacher, as set out in the [School Teachers' Pay and Conditions document](#)
- Meeting the expectations set out in the [Teachers' Standards](#)

The EYFS leader, under the direction of the headteacher, will take lead responsibility of the EYFS to secure:

- High-quality teaching
- Effective use of resources
- Improved standards of learning and achievement for all

Duties and responsibilities

Strategic direction

- Develop and implement policies for the EYFS in line with our school's commitment to high-quality teaching and learning
- Have a good understanding of how well the EYFS is being delivered and the impact on pupil achievement
- Use this understanding to feed into the school development plan and produce an action plan for the EYFS
- Promote pupils' spiritual, moral, social, cultural, physical and mental development alongside British values
- Consult pupils, parents and staff about the EYFS and its effectiveness, and assess the feedback against the school's vision, values and aims
- Work with the special educational needs coordinator (SENCO) to ensure the curriculum meets the needs of all pupils, including disadvantaged pupils and those with special educational needs and/or disabilities
- Work with subject leaders to understand how their subject is implemented within the Early Years curriculum
- Liaise with the local authority (LA) on EYFS-related projects and activities
- Share outstanding EYFS practice, knowledge and expertise throughout the school as appropriate

Leading the curriculum

- Develop and review regularly the vision, aims and purpose for EYFS
- Monitor changes to EYFS teaching, learning and school improvement, and share with staff as appropriate
- Oversee the planning of a curriculum that:
 - Is diverse and inclusive
 - Meets the needs of all pupils and the requirements of the EYFS framework
 - Is well sequenced to promote pupil progress towards the early learning goals (ELGs)
 - Is effectively and consistently implemented across the EYFS
- Make sure there is an effective system of assessment that meets the requirements of the EYFS framework and tracks the progress of pupils to check the curriculum has a positive impact on learning
- Have an overarching responsibility for pupils' achievement and standards in the EYFS

Leading and managing staff

- Hold regular team meetings to keep staff informed of developments or changes
- Monitor teaching and learning by visiting lessons, scrutinising books, and talking with pupils to assess how well the EYFS is being implemented and how well it is delivered across the school
- Provide feedback to staff based on the above observations to identify training needs and provide continuing professional development (CPD) in the EYFS
- Support staff development and expertise through coaching and modeling strategies
- Support teachers to make accurate assessments and manage internal and external moderation exercises
- Monitor staff wellbeing, working with senior leaders to address wellbeing challenges as appropriate

Efficient and effective deployment of resources

- Create and continuously develop a stimulating and organized learning environment across Early Years.
- Audit the indoor and outdoor learning spaces in the EYFS to evaluate the quality of the learning environment
- Support continuous provision in the EYFS, which allows pupils to learn independently and gives them a sense of ownership
- Audit, check and manage resources to ensure they are up to date and match pupil and curriculum needs
- Ensure the learning environment is diverse, inclusive and accessible
- Provide support with classroom displays for the EYFS across the school to ensure they are stimulating, of high quality, and inspire curiosity in pupils
- Ensure resources add value and enhance the learning experience
- Where necessary, prepare appropriate resources for remote learning to ensure the EYFS can be delivered at home

Please note, this is illustrative of the general nature and level of responsibility of the role. It is not a comprehensive list of all tasks that the EYFS leader will carry out. The postholder may be required to do other duties appropriate to the level of the role.

Person specification

CRITERIA	QUALITIES	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
Qualifications and training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Degree Qualified teacher status 	✓ ✓	
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Successful experience of leadership To have a minimum 4 years teaching experience, some of this in the Early Years. To have a record of continual and significant professional development 	✓	✓ ✓
Skills and knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working knowledge of the EYFS statutory framework and handbook Understanding of high-quality teaching and learning strategies in the EYFS, and the ability to model this for others and support others to improve Ability to build effective working relationships with staff and other stakeholders Ability to adapt teaching to meet pupils' needs Ability to build effective working relationships with pupils Knowledge of guidance and requirements around safeguarding children Good IT skills Effective communication and interpersonal skills Ability to communicate a vision and inspire others 	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	
Personal qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To have drive, vision and enthusiasm for the early years setting Commitment to getting the best outcomes for all pupils Uphold and promote the ethos and values of the school Ability to prioritise effectively To be well organised and be able to work under pressure whilst maintaining a positive approach to your work and relationships with others Maintain confidentiality at all times Commitment to safeguarding, equality, diversity and inclusion 	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	

Notes:

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

If you don't have all of the experience listed above but are interested in applying, please contact the school.