



Knowles Primary School



Specialist Teaching Assistant – Communication Support Worker

35 hrs a week, 39 weeks a year (term time only)

2 Year Fixed term contract working with a deaf child

FTE Salary: £23,080 - £26,511

Actual Salary: £19,672- £22,600

Start: As soon as possible

Knowles is a school in the heart of a very special community in Bletchley. We believe that children deserve the very best during their time with us. We are a two-form entry multicultural school with approximately 350 children on roll. The school has 39% of pupils with English as an additional language, 46% of pupils in receipt of pupil premium funding and 22% of pupils with special educational needs and disabilities.

We have a dedicated, hardworking and friendly team who put children first and ensure they are happy, safe and confident. Our shared values at Knowles support us to think about the kind of people we aspire to be and the education we aspire to.

We aim to create a happy, caring, safe environment in which children develop self-confidence and independence; are encouraged to be considerate and show respect for others. At Knowles, our children are encouraged to work hard; have a positive attitude to learning and become confident in their own ability. We are continuously seeking excellence for all children.

The specialist teaching assistant, will:

- Support the teacher in the planning, delivery and evaluation of lessons for their named child, observing and reporting on pupil progress.
- Implement individual learning programmes and strategies designed by the teacher and or specialist external agencies.
- Developing or effectively facilitating communication between staff and peers and/or supporting his access and understanding of spoken information in classroom and social situations and/or using appropriate modes of communication to ensure optimal access.
- Using technology to support the pupil's learning and promote a listening environment and learning environment
- Supporting the named child's emotional and social development

The successful candidate will:

- have a level 2 or above BSL qualification
- previous experience of working with hearing impaired children
- have at least 3 years' experience of working with children with SEND and the primary age range
- be someone who has excellent interpersonal skills with children, staff and parents
- be able to enthuse and inspire children
- be committed to safeguarding our children and promoting the welfare of our students
- be highly motivated and driven ensuring the very best outcomes for children
- meet the person specification and will be required to apply for a DBS disclosure.

We can offer:

- A friendly and supportive staff who are all committed to the schools continued improvement
- CPD tailored to your needs ensuring your continued personal development
- Children who are happy and proud to attend school
- The chance to make a real difference to children's life chances
- The opportunity to work with a clear values system, with pupils whose behaviour and attitudes to learning are recognised as a strength of the school

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Part of Tove Learning Trust

- A professional and caring atmosphere
- A school that offers a diverse variety of learning experiences to our children, enabling them to learn new skills outside the curriculum
- A culture of trust, where all contributions are recognised and respected
- A passionate, positive, highly skilled and motivated team of professionals who put children at the heart of every decision.

Candidates must be eligible to live and work in the UK.

Training and development opportunities will be offered. All staff are encouraged to study further and the trust will actively support staff to obtain relevant further qualifications where possible.

Tove Learning Trust is a fast moving and exciting place to work. The trust schools have a shared vision and purpose: to deliver outstanding educational experiences that lead to inspiring outcomes. Each academy has a strong individual identity and tailors their educational provision to serve their local community. Academies within the trust collaborate to share expertise and maximise opportunities and experiences for our students.

The Trustees of Tove Learning Trust are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

How to apply

Visits to our school are warmly welcomed and encouraged. Please contact Deputy Headteacher - Sophie Simpson on 01908 373588.

All documents including the full job description, person specification and application form are available on our website <https://www.knowlesprimaryschool.org.uk/> Please ensure your application form and covering letter includes examples how you meet the criteria outlined in the job description and person specification. Further information requests or completed applications should be sent to **Jane Day** jane.day@kpsmk.uk T: 01908 373588

Closing date: 10th January 2022

Interview date: 17th January 2022