

English Subject Lead - Job Description

Grade: MPS/UPS + TLR 2b

Supporting the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) in providing leadership and management of the highest professional standard for English across the school:

- Be an outstanding teacher with the expertise, confidence and enthusiasm to lead on English across all key stages in school.
- Uphold the ethos, aims and values of the school, its policies and codes of practice at all times and in all circumstances.
- Develop policies and contribute to the whole school development plan (SDP).
- Implement and deliver an appropriately broad, balanced, relevant and differentiated English curriculum for all learners.
- Facilitate and encourage learning experiences in English which provide learners with the opportunity to achieve their potential, and to contribute to raising standards of attainment.

Working with others, to evaluate the school's performance in English and to identify priorities for continuous improvement and raising standards:

- Maintain very effective communication systems with the senior leadership team, teachers, support staff, the local community and professional partnerships.
- Monitor and further develop schemes of work for the teaching of English across the whole school; ensuring successful implementation of the scheme and that it meets National Curriculum requirements.
- Attend Hackney English Lead forums and disseminate new guidance and good practice.
- Maintain resource levels and ensure they are efficiently and effectively used to achieve the school's aims and objectives.
- Secure the commitment of the wider community by developing and maintaining effective partnerships in order to raise standards in English.

Teaching and Learning:

Ensuring high quality teaching and learning, standards and provision in English, in all key stages:

- Be a role model for high standards of teaching and learning in English.
- Actively collaborate with and support other staff to develop their own teaching practice through discussion, planning, observations, book monitoring and modelling of lessons.
- Lead INSET sessions for teaching and support staff.
- Ensure that the teaching of English is at least good across the school and that there is a consistent and continuous school-wide focus on pupil engagement and achievement.
- Contribute to the organisation and implementation of a diverse, flexible curriculum and assist in the implementation of an effective assessment framework.
- Establish creative, responsive and effective approaches to learning and teaching in English.
- Ensure a culture and ethos of challenge and support where all pupils can achieve success and become engaged in their own learning.

Recording and Assessment:

- Use National, local and school data to monitor standards of attainment and progress across the • school in reading and writing, for all groups of pupils.
- Monitor the progress made towards achieving reading and writing targets, and use this information • to plan future developments.
- Collaborate with staff on short, medium and long term planning to develop English in relation to: • aims of the school including its policies and practices, challenging targets for improvement, management of strategic development, CPD and resources.

Accountability:

- Challenge underperformance at all levels and ensure that effective, corrective action and follow-up • is put in place and has an impact on improvement.
- Work with the governing body and individual governors (providing information, objective advice • and support) to enable them to meet their responsibilities.
- Present a coherent, understandable and accurate account of the school's performance in reading • and writing to a range of audiences including governors, parents and carers.
- Be actively involved in whole school monitoring, evaluation and reviews of English. •
- Establish resource and staff requirements for English, inform the School Business Manager of • costs and priorities, and manage the allocated budget effectively.
- Actively seek to plan for and resource an inclusive English curriculum where different families and • cultures are represented, valued and celebrated, and pupils ask questions about the world.

Developing self and working with others:

- Regularly review your own practice, set personal targets and take responsibility for your own personal development.
- Treat people fairly, equitably and with dignity and respect to create and maintain a positive school • culture.
- Build a collaborative learning culture within the school and actively engage with other schools to • build effective learning communities.
- Support effective planning, allocation, and evaluation of work undertaken by year group teams • and individuals, monitoring the shared delegation of tasks.
- Acknowledge the responsibilities and celebrate the achievements of individuals and teams. •
- Maintain a culture of high expectations for self and for others, as well as consistency within year groups and across the school.

Be mindful to manage your own workload and that of others, to enable a good work/life balance. •

Specific Annual Tasks:

- Organise the Book Corner class competition in September and judge with the School Council.
- Plan World Book Day and organise the travelling Book Fair.
- Organise Kids' Festival day events hosted by WP for the Stoke Newington Literary Festival.
- Organise and advertise the Book in a Box competition ahead of Kids' Festival.
- Plan yearly events identified on the whole school calendar such as: National Poetry Day, National Storytelling Week, Roald Dahl Day and Shakespeare's birthday.
- Write short reports and submit photographs of events for the school newsletter and website.
- Liaise with the librarian to ensure that our libraries are accessed by all children, kept tidy and resources are up to date and inclusive.

Responsible to: The Headteacher

This job description and duties may be amended at any time following discussion between the Headteacher and post holder. The job description and annual tasks will be reviewed annually.

Signed – Postholder:		Date:

Signed: Headteacher: _____ Date: _____