

Job Description **Midday Assistant**

Start Date:	September 2024
Responsible to:	Senior leadership team
Location:	Heathlands Primary Academy
Grade:	Grade 2 SCP 2-4 (£11.59 - £11.98 per hour)
Hours of work:	6.25 hours per week
Contract type:	Permanent
Disclosure Level:	Enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service Check

Overall Purpose

Responsible for supervising pupils during the lunch break and maintaining a clean and hygienic area in which to eat food.

Safeguarding

Coastal Learning Partnership is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and requires all staff and volunteers to share and demonstrate this commitment.

The successful candidate will be required to demonstrate that they meet the essential elements of the person specification and will be subject to pre-employment checks including a health check, online searches, Enhanced DBS check and satisfactory references.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Be ready at the classroom / playground five minutes before the lunchtime with the necessary equipment.
- Ensure pupils have clean hands before eating.
- Encourage good table manners and orderly behaviour.
- Clean tables, chairs and floor, if necessary, at the end of lunchtime and return equipment to the designated area. This can begin as the children on each table all finish their meal.
- Work with your colleagues to cover the playground and the classrooms / hall during any changeover.
- Undertake all care of all pupils during the lunchtime period, administering simple first aid as required or advising first aider, dealing with any illness.
- Ensure that no pupil leaves the premises during the lunchtime.
- Follow all safeguarding policies and procedures of the school and Partnership.
- Undertake playground duties to supervise pupils in the designated areas and encourage positive and social play.
- Undertake care of the pupils in the classroom if the weather is wet.

Additional Information

- It may be necessary for duties and responsibilities other than those outlined and specified to be undertaken at times at the discretion of the Leadership team.

Supervisory / Managerial Responsibility

- Little or no supervisory responsibility of adults other than assisting work familiarisation of peers and new recruits.

Career / Salary Progression

- Professional development of the role is encouraged by the trust and the Headteacher will undertake to arrange this, where possible, on request.

Safeguarding Responsibilities

- To strictly follow the school's policy and procedure for safeguarding children.

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the Midday Assistant role, each individual task will not be identified. It is expected that all colleagues will endeavour to deliver any tasks identified as reasonable by the Headteacher.

Person Specification **Midday Assistant**

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paediatric First Aid training • Food Hygiene training (both of these can be provided by the school)
Experience:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with children in primary schools or a similar setting with children under 12 years.
Professional knowledge:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to work constructively as part of a team 	
Professional skills & abilities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to work with individuals, groups and classes of children • Willing to undertake training as required • Satisfactory DBS clearance (will be confirmed as part of pre-employment checks) 	
Physical skills & abilities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to work with and control children showing care and understanding. • Able to exert moderate physical effort; crouching or bending when working with pupils. 	

Whilst originally based at Heathlands Primary Academy, the post holder may be required to travel to other local sites, including other CLP schools.