



# L2 Teaching Assistant Candidate Information Pack

## **Parish CE Primary School**







## About Liverpool Diocesan Schools Trust

### We believe

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me.' (Mt 19).

We believe that we are fulfilling this command when we enable children of all faiths and none to flourish in our schools. The Liverpool Diocesan Schools Trust (LDST) has an important role to play in improving the attainment of pupils across the Diocesan region.

## What is our Purpose?

Working together with our school communities, providing an excellent education and life-enhancing relationships with the Christian faith and Jesus Christ.

We do this through:

- Being a family of schools that is committed to well-being and supporting each other, so that all children, learners and staff across our Trust, flourish.
- Connecting with each other to share practice and provide an excellent education that is built on distinctly Christian values.
- A commitment to inclusion, ensuring that all learners thrive through an education that teaches wisdom, instils hope, nurtures community, and embeds dignity and respect.
- Strong bonds of collaboration, innovative approaches to education and a shared purpose amongst schools, families, and communities.

## What is our vision?

As a Diocesan Trust, our Christian values are intrinsically linked to our commitment to provide an innovative, high quality education, so that children and learners make excellent progress and fulfil their academic potential, by ensuring that:

- We live out our Christian values to develop future citizens who can contribute positively to a caring, compassionate nation.
- We share a Trust-wide commitment to providing an education that enables children and learners to flourish and achieve - academically spiritually, morally, socially, culturally, physically.
- We celebrate diversity, address inequality, overcome disadvantage and raise aspirations so that learners can achieve their highest academic potential.
- Access to an inspirational curriculum and excellent teaching enables our children to acquire a deep body of knowledge and a zest for lifelong learning.





- Our schools can thrive under outstanding **local leadership**, accountable to the Executive team and Board of Directors.
- We identify talents and provide opportunities for staff to develop, pursue career developments and contribute significantly to wider improvements
- We maintain a strong emphasis on **safeguarding** and the **mental health** and well-being of all our pupils and staff.
- Our schools are self-sustaining, inclusive learning communities of professionals who connect and collaborate to share best practice and innovative approaches rooted in informed evidence.

## Our Core Values

#### We value Difference

We are respectful of the:

- Uniqueness of each individual school
- Differences within each school and community

#### We value Local

 Providing aligned support and central services to empower local leaders to make local decisions that meet the needs of the local communities

#### We value Collaboration

 We value the opportunities to collaborate and work as a team to improve outcomes across our Trust

#### We value Inclusion

- We welcome all and are committed to ensuring that each pupil receives an educational experience related to their own personal gifts or needs
- We celebrate **diversity** and the individual talents of our pupils and staff

We welcome pupils of all faiths and none

We are a fully inclusive organisation and encourage applications from individuals from minority communities.





## About Parish CE Primary School

Parish is a very successful, happy school built on Christian beliefs and values of Faith, Hope and Love.

It is a one form entry Church of England Primary school with an intake of 30 children each September. We also have a Pre-School Nursery which offers 30 hours per week placements and wraparound care.

Our dedicated and dynamic team at Parish work extremely hard to ensure that all our children are able to learn in an inclusive, safe and secure environment. We aim to provide a high-quality education, which enables each child to realise their full potential. We value strong partnerships with parents, governors, the Church and local community and work closely with them to ensure that our children leave the school as well-rounded individuals.

We were judged to be 'outstanding' by Ofsted in January 2022 and we were also awarded a 'Flourishing Church School' grading in our February SIAMs inspection.

In 2022 we were recognised as the 'Most Inspirational Primary School' at the prestigious Educate Awards and we also hold many educational accolades, such as the Early Years Quality Mark, Rainbow Flag Award, International Schools Awards and the School Games Gold Award.

We are exceptionally proud of our school and hope that our website will give you a real insight into what makes Parish a truly special place to work and learn.









## Job Description

Title: L2 Teaching Assistant

Salary: NJC SCP 3 £24,027 FTE (£15,856 Actual Salary) + SEN Allowance

Hours: 27.5 hours per week

Accountable to: SLT

Location: Parish CE Primary School, Charles Street, St Helens WA10 1LW

The duties outlined in this job description are in addition to those covered by the latest School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document. It may be modified by the Headteacher, with your agreement, to reflect or anticipate changes in the job commensurate with the salary and job title.

#### **Main Duties**

To work with and supervise groups of children or individual pupils under the direction/instruction of teaching and/or senior staff. Assist and support with classroom and behaviour management, preparation of work and displays. Contribute to the raising of standards in pupil achievement.

#### **Support for Pupils**

- Establish good working relationships with pupils, acting as a role model.
- Be aware of and respond appropriately to individual pupil needs ensuring effective interaction.
- Provide specific support to pupils dependent upon their individual needs ensuring their safety whilst supporting access to learning activities.
- Promote inclusion and acceptance of all pupils.
- Encourage pupils to interact with others and engage in activities led by the teacher.
- Promote self-esteem and independence.
- Provide feedback to pupils in relation to progress and achievement under the guidance and direction of the teacher.

#### Support for the Teacher

- Create and maintain a purposeful, orderly and supportive environment, in accordance with lesson plans.
- In liaison with the teacher, utilise strategies such as individual and small group interventions to support pupils in achieving learning targets.
- Report pupil achievements, progress and issues as appropriate in agreed format.
- Undertake pupil record keeping as requested.
- Administer routine primary tests.





- Promote good pupil behaviour, dealing promptly with conflict and incidents and encouraging pupils to take responsibility for their own behaviour in line with established school policy.
- Establish constructive relationships with parents and carers.

#### Support for the Curriculum

- Undertake as required structured and agreed learning activities/learning programmes, taking into consideration pupil learning styles.
- Undertake literacy/numeracy programmes, recording achievements and progress and providing appropriate reports and feedback for the teacher.
- Prepare, maintain and use equipment/resources required to meet the lesson plans/relevant learning activity and assist pupils in their use.

#### Support for the School

- Be aware of and comply with school policies and procedures relating to child protection, health, safety and security, confidentiality and data protection. Report all concerns to the appropriate person (as named in the policy concerned).
- Ensure all pupils have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop.
- Contribute to the school ethos, aims and development/improvement plan.
- Appreciate and support the role of other professionals.
- Attend relevant meetings as required.
- Participate in training and other learning activities as required.
- Assist with the supervision of pupils out of directed lesson time, including before and after school if appropriate and within working hours.
- Contribute to the wider life of the school e.g. PTA events such as fairs and discos.
- Accompany teaching staff and pupils on visits, trips and out of school activities as required.
- To encourage an active partnership between children/parents/school by working creatively and positively with parents to achieve maximum involvement in their child's education.
- To encourage parents to understand the importance of their role in their child's education
- To support Remote Learning (including making home visits) if necessary.

Liverpool Diocesan Schools Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment to keeping children safe. Any offer of employment will be subject to statutory pre-employment checks including satisfactory references, online checks, Enhanced DBS, and Barred List checks. This post is exempt from the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (as amended in 2013 & 2020) and shortlisted candidates will be required to disclose any relevant criminal history prior to interview. Candidates must also be able to demonstrate their Right to Work in the United Kingdom.





## **Person Specification – L2 Teaching Assistant**

Person Specification – L2 Teaching Assistant + SEN Parish CE Primary School	Essential (E) or Desirable (D)
Skills	
<ul> <li>Good numeracy/literacy skills</li> <li>Ability to observe and monitor progress, and maintain records</li> <li>Able to maintain confidentiality</li> <li>Willingness to support additional offsite educational activities</li> <li>Have good communication and expressive skills.</li> <li>Model exemplary behaviour; supervise children, encourage good social skills and adhere to defined standards</li> <li>Liaise and communicate effectively with others</li> <li>Demonstrate good organisational skills</li> <li>Work with an individual or a group</li> <li>teach new concepts as agreed with the class teacher</li> <li>Implement strategies for developing writing, reading, and number skills</li> <li>extend children's thinking skills</li> <li>Assess children's understanding</li> <li>discuss with children their understanding of learning objectives;</li> </ul>	E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E
<ul> <li>Suggest ways of developing their learning;</li> <li>Able to develop good personal relationships within a team</li> <li>Able to establish and develop positive relationships with parents, governors and the community</li> <li>Ability to use ICT to support learning</li> <li>behaviour management strategies</li> </ul>	E E D
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Qualifications and Experience	
Demonstrable levels of numeracy & literacy equivalent to GCSE (A-C)	E
<ul> <li>Experience of working in a school setting (voluntary or paid</li> <li>Hold relevant qualifications at a level equivalent to at least NVQ Level 2.</li> </ul>	E D
<ul> <li>Evidence of specialism in specific curriculum areas</li> <li>Willingness to participate in other development and training opportunities</li> </ul>	D D
First Aid training/training in specific medical procedures.	D





Knowledge and Understanding		
Professional Values and Practice      Able to enthuse and inspire     Willingness to be flexible     Willingness to contribute to the wider school     Energy and a good sense of humour     High personal and professional standards     Positive, enthusiastic, highly organised and patient Ability to work flexibly within a small team and use own initiative	<ul> <li>the Primary school curriculum and other basic learning programmes</li> <li>how to support children in literacy and numeracy</li> <li>supporting children with Special Educational Needs</li> <li>how children learn and how to motivate them</li> <li>child development and the ways in which children learn</li> <li>the roles played by various adults in a child's education</li> <li>Knowledge of relevant policies/codes of practice and awareness of legislation</li> <li>Aware of safeguarding procedures and how to provide a safe environment for children</li> <li>Knowledge of delivering Read, Write, Inc phonic sessions.</li> <li>Knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage</li> </ul>	E E E E D
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## How to Apply

## **Application Process**

The application process for this role is a 3-stage process:

- · Application form
- Observation
- Interview

To be considered for this role you must complete the LDST application form. We are unable to accept CV applications, or applications from agencies.

Once the closing date has been reached all applications will be reviewed. The candidates who best demonstrate the skills listed in the person specification in their application will be invited to interview.

To ask any questions, or to submit your completed application form, please contact Mrs Rachel Clare (SBM) at <a href="mailto:rachel.clare@ldst.org.uk">rachel.clare@ldst.org.uk</a>. To book a place for the school viewing please contact the school office on 01744 678430.





LDST reserves the right not to progress candidates to the next stage of the process, or not to appoint to the role if candidates fail to demonstrate the essential criteria in the person specification.

Applicants from overseas are advised to obtain an overseas criminal check before they apply for a visa as the post is in the education sector.

Closing Date: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 9am

Interview Date: Friday 15th May 2025

Start Date of Post: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June – this is a guideline as the start date can be negotiated based on current circumstances.





## **Our Trust Prayer**

Heavenly Father,

Let peace, friendship and love grow in our schools.

Send the Holy Spirit to give
excellence to our learning
love to our actions and
joy to our worship.

Guide us to help others,
so that we may all

Learn, Love and Achieve, Together with Jesus.

Amen