



Headteacher  
Mr P Sherwood

## VACANCY: TEACHING ASSISTANT

### WE ARE SEEKING A CREATIVE AND PASSIONATE TA TO JOIN OUR TEAM

Sonning CE Primary School has a fantastic reputation that is fully deserved. It is a result of high academic achievement, our caring, nurturing environment and our deep-rooted ethos. At Sonning, we aim to equip our children with the skills they need to make positive choices in everything they do. Like the wise man who built his house upon the rock (Matthew 7:24-25), our vision is "building strong foundations for the years ahead".

As part of this, we build excellent relationships with each other; we are a team that looks out for each other and all share a desire to provide the very best education for pupils (academically, emotionally and socially) and ensure they build strong foundations for their time at school and beyond.

Our recent Ofsted report (January 2024) has been published and described our school as "exceptional" – this is an opportunity to work in an incredibly supportive, dedicated and passionate team.

We are looking for a teaching assistant to work within a classroom and support both the teacher (as a teaching assistant) and also support the individual needs of all children within the class, including those with SEND.

#### KEY DETAILS ABOUT THE ROLE

The role we are offering has the following key details:

- Grade 3 SCP 5 FTE £23,500 (Actual annual salary £15,236.92)
- Full time (28 hours 45 mins per week 08:30 to 15:15, Monday to Friday), with between 30 & 60 minute lunch break
- Required to start from 23<sup>rd</sup> September (or after current job's notice period).
- We are looking for applicants with willingness or expertise in Early Years and/or Key Stage 1 ideally.

#### KEY DATES AND DETAILS FOR APPLYING

An application pack is available on the [school website](http://www.sonning.wokingham.sch.uk) or by sending an application to our Operations Manager via email ([operations@sonning.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:operations@sonning.wokingham.sch.uk)).

- **Closing date for applications: applications will be processed on receipt**
- **Interview date: To be arranged with the candidates**

#### WHAT YOU WILL GAIN FROM WORKING WITH US

We are proud of our team and what we can offer staff who wish to join us. We recognise that joining a new school is as much about what we can provide as it is about what the successful applicant can give to us. Therefore, we offer the following through our school and The Keys Academy Trust:

- A dedicated team who go above and beyond for each other.
- Commitment to and support for your professional development in a range of areas.
- A vibrant, fun and welcoming staff and environment.
- Kind, supportive and very well-behaved pupils.
- Pastoral support for pupils, as well as wellbeing support for staff.

#### WHY ARE WE DIFFERENT?

Working in a high-performing school like ours means that there is such clarity on vision, consistency in practice and confidence in processes that the school and its teams run smoothly, efficiently and with precision. We have honed our



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provision over the years and this allows us to innovate and be bold with our decisions, which we take with the pupils' best interests at heart.

### **WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?**

The successful candidate will have the following:

- A clear passion for working with children and helping them succeed.
- An understanding of how to support pupils individually or in groups by planning effective sessions.
- Experience of working with children.
- Have high expectations for standards of achievement and behaviour.
- Be able to work collaboratively as well as independently, and be a strong and supportive team player.
- Promote our Christian ethos, vision and values.
- Be a strong and supportive team player.

### **LEARN MORE, BOOK A TOUR OR APPLY FOR THE ROLE!**

Our website provides a vast amount of information, including full performance data, further curriculum details and our weekly newsletters to give you a sense of what happens each week. Visit our Vacancies page to find out how to apply for the role and be a part of our team.

*The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service enhanced criminal records check. No agencies please.*



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