



SEN Teaching Assistant



WEST HEATH SCHOOL

Ashgrove Road, Sevenoaks, Kent TN13 1SR

"Rebuilding lives through education"

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West Heath School is an Independent SEN residential school with charity status. We provide a therapeutically informed learning environment for children aged 10-19 who have suffered some form of trauma and are unable to access main stream education. We believe in "rebuilding lives through education", developing life skills and encouraging students to enjoy social activities.

Term Time Only (39 Weeks) £14,618 (actual salary) if you hold an NVQ 3 in Supporting, Teaching & Learning or equivalent

£13,103 (actual salary) per year until you achieve the NVQ L3 training, which we will provide and fund

Monday – Friday 08.30am – 15.30pm (30 minute unpaid lunch break)

"A fun place to work where social development is valued as much as education"

"The support you receive from the moment you arrive at West Heath School is excellent..."

"Two days are never the same at West Heath School and this certainly keeps you on your toes!"

"The students at West Heath School have so much to offer and as a Teaching Assistant, you learn lots..."

You will be supporting students with their academic, personal and social development. This role is demanding and challenging, but very rewarding. As a school we are proud to promote the development of life skills and social development as equal to academic achievement. West Heath School work towards the end goal of helping students re-integrate into mainstream learning and preparation for adulthood. Applicants must be prepared to work in the school environment and occasionally at external locations when required (such as therapeutic farms etc).

Key Requirements

- Proactive, creative and innovative
- Emotionally robust and resilient
- Ability and willingness to drive is essential
- Flexible and adaptable
- Autonomous thinker
- Good level of English and Maths
- Experience and working in SEN school preferred by not essential

Benefits

- Free lunch and refreshments as well as free parking onsite
- NVQ Training up to level 3, along with regular mentoring and coaching
- Regular training from internal and external experts
- Flu jab and eye care
- Career progression opportunities
- Pension scheme
- Discounted venue hire for parties/weddings

To apply or to find out more about our school, please visit www.westheathschool.com where you will find an application form in 'Current Vacancies' under the 'About Us' section. Working at West Heath School involves close and unsupervised contact with vulnerable groups including children and as such is a regulated activity.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. Applicants must be willing to undergo safeguarding screening appropriate to the post.