



Application for Teaching Assistant/Partner at Grayrigg CE Primary School

Dear Potential Applicant

Thank you for showing interest in the post at our school. We're really excited to be growing our team. Although the job description says teaching assistant, we refer to our TAs as Teaching Partners: Don't worry, the job is the same but I've always felt that the term assistant diminishes the importance of the role. As a teaching head, I know my TP (teaching partner) is my partner in the classroom - her strengths compliment my weaknesses and I definitely notice if she is not there and so do the children.

The post advertised is to work in our outstanding EYFS classroom, although like all our TPs you may be asked to cover lunch breaks etc in other classes. You will work alongside the EYFS team supporting the learning. You will also have access to online training from Alistair Bryce-Clegg, Chartered College of Teaching, whilst having the opportunity to work alongside our experienced EYFS lead.

I know I am probably a little biased but it really is a wonderful place to work, where children are celebrated for their uniqueness. Whilst the post is temporary, there may be future opportunities to which this role opens the door as we never know what will happen in the future. We really hope this post will be seen as an opportunity rather than cover.

Yours faithfully

Kirsty Cooper
Headteacher