# ROUNDSWELL COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY



Job Application Pack

Job Position: Early Years Teacher

To start September 2021





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#### Welcome:

Thank you for your interest in applying for the post of Early Years Teacher at Roundswell Community Primary Academy.

Roundswell Community Primary Academy is a brand new school and we opened our doors in September 2020 to Nursery pupils (3 to 4 years of age) and pupils in the Reception Class. These children have started on a wonderful adventure together as they rise through the school to become Year 6 children.

With an internationally minded curriculum and a vision to deliver outstanding education, the school will introduce children to a world of opportunity. Through engaging pupils in an exciting, internationally-minded curriculum, we will enable children to have a modern outlook on the world, achieve high standards of learning and be secondary-ready.

Roundswell Community Primary Academy is part of a supportive and collaborative Multi-Academy Trust, the Tarka Learning Partnership, currently comprising of 1 secondary school, 8 primary schools, the teacher training organisation known as Devon Primary SCITT and the Devon Teaching School Partnership.

Initially, our team and the number of children on roll will be small. This in itself will bring challenges and we will all be expected to 'wear many hats' and assume various responsibilities. Therefore, the ability to work as a strong team-player is absolutely essential, as is experience in teaching and leading Nursery / Reception classes.

Further information regarding Roundswell Community Primary Academy can be found on our website. If you would like to find out more about the role please contact, Emma Stubbs, Business Manager, at <a href="mailto:emma.stubbs@roundswell.tarkatrust.org.uk">emma.stubbs@roundswell.tarkatrust.org.uk</a>

Should you have the qualities, experience, skills and commitment to make a success of this challenging, yet exciting and no doubt rewarding role, helping to shape the future of a brand new school and the children within, then we would be delighted to hear from you.





#### Advert

Early Years Teacher MPS 1 – UPS 3 Permanent, Full Time

Closing Date: Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021 Shortlisting Date: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021 Interview Date: Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Starting date: September 2021

Do you have a passion to deliver exciting and inspiring learning opportunities for children in the EYFS?

A unique opportunity has arisen for a talented and ambitious professional to join our newly established team here at Roundswell Community Primary Academy. The initial position will be within our 39 place Nursery but as the school grows there may be opportunity to move into other classes.

Roundswell Community Primary Academy opened in September 2020 and is a partner school of the Tarka Learning Partnership based in North Devon.

#### We are looking for an Early Years Teacher who:

- is an outstanding, EYFS practitioner
- has clear vision, energy and commitment to all aspects of school life
- has a desire and passion to make a real difference to the lives and life-chances of our children
- has high aspirations for all children rooted in the belief that every child has the potential to succeed
- is committed to success through effort and teamwork
- has energy, enthusiasm and a sense of humour

This is an excellent opportunity for someone looking to develop their skills within a new school. We are looking for an inspirational teacher with drive, ambition and integrity. You will receive excellent coaching and support to allow you to grow within our school.

If you wish to discuss the post further or meet the Head Teacher, please contact Emma Stubbs, our Business Manager: <a href="mailto:emma.stubbs@roundswell.tarkatrust.org.uk">emma.stubbs@roundswell.tarkatrust.org.uk</a>

This appointment is subject to safer recruitment procedures, receipt of satisfactory references and an enhanced DBS with Children's barred list clearance. An application form and supporting information can be found at <a href="https://www.tarkatrust.org.uk">www.tarkatrust.org.uk</a>





# Job Description

Job Title: Early Years Teacher

Salary Range: MPS 1 – MPS6

Hours: Full time, Permanent

Responsible to: The Head Teacher

The conditions of employment of teachers in the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions of Service Document apply to the post, whose holder is expected to carry out the professional duties of a teacher as circumstances may require, under the reasonable direction of the Head Teacher.

The post holder is expected the meet the Teachers' Standards, published by The Secretary of State for Education.

The post holder will comply with Health and Safety requirements and specifically will take reasonable care of him/herself and other persons who may be affected by his/her acts or omissions at work (Health and Safety at Work Act 1974), and other relevant employment legislation and school policies.

#### **TEACHING**

- 1.1 Plan and prepare resources for sequences of lessons which ensure a broad, balanced and relevant curriculum, incorporate the National Curriculum, are within the context of the school's own plans and are informed by accurate assessments.
- 1.2 Teach clearly structured lessons which lead towards an identified learning outcome which is shared and understood by all pupils.
- 1.3 Ensure learning opportunities allow children to develop as independent thinkers, develop resilience and precise appropriate challenge for all learners.
- 1.4 Contribute to organised, stimulating, and engaging learning environments which allow children to reflect, persevere and take ownership of their learning.
- 1.5 Ensure that assessment is embedded in classroom practice and pupils learning needs, progress and achievements are monitored, recorded, and reported on.
- 1.6 Within the school's routines and structures, provide an inclusive learning environment which caters for the needs of all.
- 1.7 Have high expectations of the pupil's learning behaviours and conduct.





#### WHOLE SCHOOL ORGANISATION, STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT

- 2.1 Follow all the policies and contribute to the development and evaluation of the school's practices and systems.
- 2.2 As an individual and as part of a team carry out improvements, embrace change and actively engage in professional development in order to achieve the success criteria of the School Improvement Plan.

#### **HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELLBEING**

- 3.1 Ensure the safety and wellbeing of all pupils and follow the school's safeguarding policies and procedures at all times.
- 3.2 Promote the physical and mental health and wellbeing of pupils.

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 4.1 Fully participate in arrangements for appraisal and review of own performance
- 4.2 Follow guidance and support from members of the leadership team in order to improve and develop practice.
- 4.3 Take ownership and responsibility for own professional development.

#### COMMUNICATION

- 5.1 Communication effectively and appropriately with pupils, parents, carers, and other staff.
- 5.2 Take responsibility for working in partnership with parents to promote the well-being and educational progress of each pupil.

#### **WORKING WITH COLLEAGUES AND OTHER RELEVANT PROFESSIONALS**

6.1 Collaborate and work with colleagues to secure school improvements and effective organisation of the school.

This job description will be reviewed annually to reflect the plans, growth and development of the School.





# Person Specification:

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications and Experience		
EDUCATION	A degree or equivalent with Qualified Teacher Status	Further professional training
EXPERIENCE	<ul> <li>Experience of teaching and assessing within the EYFS framework</li> <li>Experience of leading and managing the EYFS support staff</li> </ul>	Experience of teaching in Nursery / Reception Classes     Experience of teaching across KS1     Experience of monitoring and evaluating teaching and learning
Professional Knowledge		
EYFS	<ul> <li>Sound knowledge of the EYFS         Framework and developments</li> <li>Evidence of / demonstrating an         understanding of balancing the         needs of early learning, whilst         ensuring that children are well         prepared for KS1</li> <li>Understanding of what makes         'quality first' teaching and of         effective intervention strategies</li> <li>Demonstrating a creative approach         to pupil learning</li> <li>Experience of Tapestry (or similar)         and building pupil evidence across         all EYFS areas</li> <li>A commitment to outdoor learning</li> <li>Outstanding phonics teaching with         proven success</li> <li>Evidence of excellent pupil         progress within own teaching</li> <li>Sound knowledge of current         educational issues, developments         and pedagogy</li> <li>Experience of working with pupils         experiencing social, emotional and         behavioral difficulties.</li> </ul>	Experience of successfully improving outcomes for pupils outside of own classroom     Experience of teaching a creative curriculum based on key skills
SAFEGUARDING	Thorough knowledge and understanding of safeguarding children	<ul> <li>Experience of working with other agencies</li> <li>Experience of using CPOMs</li> </ul>





TEACHING, LEARNING AND ASSESSMENT	<ul> <li>Be a highly effective practitioner</li> <li>Demonstrate a good understanding of assessment and progress, particularly in the EYFS</li> <li>Awareness of the importance of effective partnerships with parents and can demonstrate this</li> </ul>	
PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS	<ul> <li>Has an understanding of data and analysis and a proven track record of using the information to target children, inform provision planning and ensure high outcomes for all</li> <li>A commitment to ensuring that all children meet their full potential</li> </ul>	
Professional Skills		
ETHOS	<ul> <li>A holistic approach to the wellbeing and education of pupils</li> <li>The ability to challenge and engage children in their learning through creative opportunities, with high levels of expectations of all learners</li> <li>A commitment to working collaboratively across the Trust</li> </ul>	
Professional Attrib	outes	
RELATIONSHIPS	<ul> <li>Ability and willingness to work collaboratively and supportively within the school team and the wider Trust</li> <li>Ability to inspire confidence and respect amongst colleagues and the school community</li> <li>Ability to build effective and professional working relationships with parents, Governors, Trust members and the wider community</li> <li>Effective communication and interpersonal skills</li> <li>Ability to work independently and as part of a team</li> <li>Ability to lead, organise and motivate staff with diplomacy, sensitivity and good humour</li> </ul>	
ATTITUDES	<ul> <li>Commitment to own professional development</li> <li>To be a creative thinker, who strives to embed innovative practice and strategies to improve learning for all pupils</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Experience of making a positive contribution to the wider life and ethos of the school</li> <li>Brings personal interests and</li> </ul>





Roundswell Community Primary Academy and the Tarka Learning Partnership are Committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our pupils and expect all employees and volunteers to share this commitment. All posts are subject to an enhanced DBS check.





### Application, Interview & Selection

For an informal discussion about the post or for more information regarding Roundswell Community Primary Academy, please contact Kate Fairbrother, Head Teacher at kate.fairbrother@roundswell.tarkatrust.org.uk

You will be selected for interview entirely on the contents of your application form, CV's will not be considered. Please read the Job Description and Person Specification carefully before you complete your form. Please ensure that your supporting statement provides concise and specific examples to demonstrate your achievements and skills addressing the specific criteria. For those candidates who are invited to interview this information will be explored further.

Please ensure all supporting information is included in the Statement of Application section of the application form, additional documents will not be accepted.

You are invited to complete the Equality and Diversity Monitoring Form at the end of the application form. The information on the form will be treated as confidential and used for statistical purposes. The form will not be treated as part of your application. Finally, please include your work, mobile and home telephone contact numbers and an e-mail address.

Please return applications forms electronically to <a href="mailto:emma.stubbs@roundswell.tarkatrust.org.uk">emma.stubbs@roundswell.tarkatrust.org.uk</a>

The closing date for this application is **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021.** 





## **Recruitment Process**

Short-listed candidates will be invited to attend a selection process which will be held at the school, times will be confirmed.

All candidates must bring the following documentation into school on their interview day.

Documentary evidence of identity that will satisfy DBS requirements such as current driving licence including a photograph and/or passport and/or full birth certificate

- Documentary proof of current name & address (i.e utility bill, financial statement etc)
- Where appropriate any documentation evidencing a change of name
- Documents confirming educational or professional qualifications that are necessary or relevant for the post

We will seek references on shortlisted candidates and may approach previous employers for information to verify particular experience or qualification **before interview**. Any relevant issues arising from references will be taken up at interview.

In addition to candidates' ability to perform the duties of the post, the interview will also explore issues relating to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, including:

- Motivation to work with children and young people
- Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people
- Emotional resilience in working with challenging behaviours
- · Attitudes to use of authority and maintaining discipline

Offers of employment are made subject to receipt of satisfactory references, medical fit for work clearance and receipt of enhanced DBS check.