**SEN Teaching Assistant, Finedon Infant School**

We are looking for a committed and caring SEN Teaching Assistant for the provision of one to one support each morning for named Foundation Stage pupils with an Educational Healthcare Plan.

The successful applicant will support the pupils each morning with their medical and learning needs. This will include one to one work, small group work and supporting the children in the classroom environment, alongside their peers to develop communication and social interaction skills, attention and concentration skills and basic literacy and mathematical skills.

You should have some proven experience of working successfully with children who require support with their communication and interaction skills. In particular, you must:

- be calm and patient
- have a friendly approach and a good sense of humour
- be able to work on your own initiative as well as part of a team
- be able to keep objective and accurate records
- have good communication skills
- have experience of building children's self-esteem and basic skills

Ideally you will also have experience of working in collaboration with professional services such as Speech and Language Therapy, of using communication systems such as schedules, PECS, task planners, and of the TEACCH approach to learning or using a visual based learning approach, but this is not essential. Experience of working with learners of English as an additional language would also be advantageous.

You should be able to demonstrate commitment to our positive school ethos and in return we can offer you the opportunity to work as a member of a team of committed and supportive staff, parents and governors, with friendly, enthusiastic children.

Hours of work are 8.40 am – 12.10 pm. each day, and the position will end if the children were to leave the school.

Salary is SEN level 1 Teaching Assistant, Grade D, Points 3-4, £18,065 - £18,426 pa (full time equivalent, part time post will be pro-rata).

Visits to the school are welcomed. For further information or to make an appointment to visit, please contact the Headteacher, Joanne Lloyd-Williams 01933 680433  head@finedon-inf.northants-ecl.gov.uk

Applications should be returned to Mrs Tracy Oakley via the school, or by email – tracy.oakley@iflt.org.uk

**Applications to be received by noon on Tuesday 5th November 2019**

We are committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children and expect all staff to share in this commitment. This post is subject to safe recruitment practices and all necessary checks will be made prior to employment commencing.