

St. Peter's R.C. Primary School

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Teaching Assistant (Level 2)
Grade C (SCP 3 – 5)
£24,796-£25,583 pro rata
Contract: fixed term 12 months
27.5 hours per week (term time)
Including 2.5 hours Welfare Assistant (term time)
Start Date 1st September 2026

Are you a caring, energetic and reliable practitioner who wants to make a real difference to children's learning and wellbeing? Join our warm, welcoming Catholic school where the presence of Christ guides everything we do. This is a fantastic opportunity to work as a Teaching and Learning Assistant Level 2 in a friendly two-form-entry primary school that values teamwork, high expectations and every child's potential.

We are:

- A modern, two-form-entry Voluntary Aided primary school built in 2008, serving families in Blackburn, Lancashire. We also offer nursery provision from the term after a child turns three.
- A true family atmosphere, where warmth, security, trust and friendliness are combined with encouragement and appropriate challenge.
- A Christian community with a clear mission:
"Our special purpose is to live, learn and work together in the presence of Christ,"
which shapes daily life, relationships and decision-making across the school.
- A diverse and caring community, with approximately 30% Pupil Premium, 10.5% EAL, 17.6% SEN (2.6% with EHCP). We are committed to inclusive education and ensuring every child has the support they need to thrive.
- A school focused on continual improvement, working within the OFSTED inspection framework.

About the role:

- Work with individuals and small groups under the direction of teachers to enrich curriculum learning and support access to lessons.
- Deliver targeted support, including contributing to the implementation of IEPs, EHCPs and care plans, ensuring pupils' needs are met effectively.
- Promote independence, self-esteem and positive behaviour, supporting pupils to engage with learning tasks and interact positively with others.

- Contribute to planning, resource preparation, record keeping and assessment tasks, and provide feedback on pupil progress.
- Support the wider life of the school, including supervising pupils at breaktimes, accompanying trips and participating in staff meetings and ongoing professional development.

We are looking for someone who:

- Is committed to actively contributing to the Catholic ethos of our school and to promoting its Gospel values.
- Builds positive, respectful relationships with children, staff and families; and is able to motivate, inspire and support children's learning.
- Communicates clearly and confidently, adapts resources and activities to meet individual needs, and maintains accurate records of pupil progress.
- Responds positively to challenges, works well both independently and as part of a team, and demonstrates a commitment to inclusive practice.
- Holds a Teaching and Learning Level 2 qualification (or equivalent) and shows a commitment to ongoing professional development. Competence in ICT is desirable, and experience supporting children with SEND or social communication needs, along with recent primary school experience, would be advantageous.

We welcome applications from candidates of all backgrounds who share our values, ethos and dedication to children's development.

What we offer

- A supportive and collaborative staff team, with a leadership team that values and actively promotes professional development.
- A real opportunity to make a measurable impact on outcomes for children, particularly those with additional needs.
- A caring and inclusive school environment that places a strong emphasis on wellbeing, inclusion and community.

Application details

- Salary: £24,796-£25,583 (Please check with the school if you require further clarification about the pay grade and contract details.)
- Closing date: Monday 18th May 2026
- How to apply: Please complete the application form and send to:
st.peters.blackburn@stpetersrc.co.uk
Attention of: Sarah Duerden

Please ensure your supporting statement refers clearly to the person specification and explains how your skills, experience and personal qualities meet the requirements of the role. References will be taken up prior to interview. All appointments are subject to a satisfactory DBS check and health clearance.

St. Peter's is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. We welcome applications from all suitably qualified candidates and are an equal opportunities employer.

We look forward to receiving your application and to welcoming a dedicated and enthusiastic colleague who will help every child at St. Peter's to flourish.