

Caretaker

Castle View Primary School and Nursery 16 hours per week, 39 weeks per year. Scale 3 FTE £23,500-£23,893 (pro rata £8,777- £8,924)

QEGSMAT are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, conscientious Caretaker to join our hardworking and high achieving team at Castle View Primary School and Nursery, Matlock.

The Caretaker will support the team in maintaining the security of the premises and its contents including the operation of fire and burglar alarms, key-holder responsibilities and maintenance of lighting and heating systems. The caretaker will also provide porterage and defined handyperson duties and other duties arising from the use of the premises. General Handyperson duties include routine development and maintenance, decorating, repairs and other tasks, which would not normally require the services of an outside contractor.

Castle View is in the town of Matlock, on the edge of the Peak District overlooking the stunning Riber Castle. The main school building dates to the late 1800s but has had many alterations and additions since then. It is an extensive site, with a separate hall, dining kitchen, playing field and Key Stage 1 and 2 buildings, as well as a purpose-built Nursery. The school hosts 7 classes across the whole primary phase.

Castle View Primary School is a proud member of QEGSMAT. The Trust's values are for students to 'Question, Explore; Give; and Succeed'. Our exceptional staff, strong leadership, motivated children, as well as excellent facilities, provide the successful formula for this.

At QEGSMAT we believe and promote that exceptional workforce creates exceptional results; they transform lives and transform futures. We support every pupil to achieve their full potential and become a confident, resilient, and compassionate individual who can make a positive contribution to society.

Why work for us?

- Continual access to CPD opportunities. QEGSMAT works with a large number of organisations to develop staff to fulfil their aspirations and potential. We are committed to providing first-rate training and development to all our staff within this evolving Trust.
- We are committed to promoting equality, challenging discrimination, and developing community cohesion. We welcome applications from all sections of the community.
- All staff have access to our Employee Assistance Programme which provides confidential, independent and unbiased information and guidance 24/7. This can also include bespoke counselling sessions for staff if needed.

- All roles are subject to nationally agreed terms and conditions of service.
- Access to the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) with employer contributions of 23.4% for support staff.
- Family-friendly policies.
- Access to Flu Vaccines.
- Opportunity to work flexibly.
- Access to 750+ discounts on everyday essentials via our benefit package with Vivup



QEGSMAT is also committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. It is a criminal offence to engage or seek to engage in regulated activity or regulated work with children, if you appear on the DBS barred list. All appointments are subject to an Enhanced DBS check and be eligible to work in the UK.

Further information about our commitment to Safeguarding can be found - https://www.qegsmat.com/documents/safeguarding

Please be aware, the Trust may also consider performing an online presence check as part of their preemployment checks.

This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1074 and therefore applicants are required to declare any cautions, convictions, reprimands and final warnings that are not protected (i.e. that are not filtered out) as defined by the rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 (as amended in 2013 and 2020).

If you are interested and wish to have an informal conversation to discuss the role or would like to visit the school, we would be happy to arrange this. Please call 01629 582699. Further details about our school can be found on our website: https://castleviewmatlock.com/

To apply for this position, please visit https://qegsmat.face-ed.co.uk/vacancies

Closing date for applications: 13th November 2024

Interview date: 18th November 2024

Salary: Scale 3 FTE £23,500-£23,893 (pro rata £8,777- £8,924)

Potential Start date: TBC



Post Title: Caretaker

Reporting to: Headteacher

Responsible for: General site maintenance, ensuring statutory testing

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Disclosure Level: Child Workforce - Enhanced, Childs Barred list

PURPOSE OF THE POST:

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Maintain the security of the premises and its contents (including the operation of fire and burglar alarms and key-holder responsibilities), lighting, heating, general maintenance, porterage, defined handyperson duties, as appropriate ensuring statutory testing is completed and recorded and other duties arising from the use of premises.

Main Duties

The Caretaker will support the site team in maintaining the security of the premises and its contents including the operation of fire and burglar alarms and key-holder responsibilities and maintenance of lighting and heating systems. The caretaker will also provide porterage and defined handyperson duties and other duties arising from the use of the premises. General Handyperson duties include routine development and maintenance, decorating, repairs and other tasks, which would not normally require the services of an outside contractor.

Site security, heating and Safety-

- Maintain security of the premises together with its contents, attend to the Intruder Alarms where applicable, board up and make secure the building(s) following acts of vandalism.
- Attend to the heating of the premises and maintain the required temperatures, and report faults where necessary.
- Be available to attend in cases of emergency outside the working week, e.g. intruders, fire and flood, etc. in line with the Academy policy and procedures for emergency cover;
- Take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and others who may be affected by their activities and, where appropriate, to safeguard the health and safety of all persons under their control and guidance in accordance with the provision of Health and Safety legislation.
- Assist in all necessary testing and recording of fire alarms, water systems and emergency lighting for the purposes of ensuring statutory compliance.

Resources-

- Work alongside the Business Manager to carry out a regular schedule of inspections throughout the buildings, and action plans for modifications and improvements. Including lighting, ventilation, time keeping, fire-fighting equipment and heating systems.
- Attend to the requirements of the hirers of the premises for the purpose of evening and school
 holiday lettings; to be available to attend evening lettings as agreed during the week and at other
 times by prior agreement.
- Give adequate supervision and advice to contractors including cleaning staff in order to maintain high standards of cleaning, security and maintenance.
- Provide and assist in dealing with matters concerning building maintenance, including internal decoration and basic plumbing and joinery work;
- Provide a range of "handy person" duties.
- Ensure that all exterior hard surfaces are kept in a clean, tidy and safe condition including the cleaning of drains and gulley's as required, and during the winter months, the salting, de-icing of hard surface areas and moving of snow to ensure access to the premises;
- Undertake any necessary portaging duties in line with correct handling policies eg setting up seating in the school hall for a performance, putting out tables for a social event in the hall and the movement of PE equipment etc.
- Manage and assist with all deliveries to the school, ensuring the proper storage and distribution of all goods, after the admin staff have checked them.
- Undertaking such other duties that are commensurate with the post as directed by the Business Manager or the Head of Establishment.
- Dispose of waste material in a safe, hygienic manner ensuring that it is available for collection as required
- Be aware of and adhere to all school policies and procedures on health and safety including asbestos management, fire safety procedures, management of legionella and plant and equipment inspections.

METHODS OF WORKING

The post holder must:

- Maintain confidentiality and observe data protection and associated guidelines where appropriate;
- Maintain an awareness of Safeguarding Children and Child Protection;
- Understand and comply with the Trust's Health and Safety Policy in the performance of their duties and responsibilities;
- Carry out the duties of the post in compliance with the academy's Equal Opportunities Policy;
- Understand and comply with all other relevant academy policies;
- Take an active part in appraising their own work against agreed priorities, targets, professional development and supervision arrangements;
- Undertake any necessary training associated with the duties of the post;
- Carry out any other reasonable duties and responsibilities within the overall function, commensurate with the grading and level of responsibilities of the post.



Criteria	Essential MULTI ACADE	Desirable	Evidence
Qualifications	LSSEITUAI	Relevant maintenance or trade qualification	Application/ Certificates
Experience	Experience of maintenance, handyman or trade duties.	 Previous caretaking experience. 	Application/ Interview
Skills	 Ability to undertake minor repairs and maintenance including painting and decorating, joinery, plumbing and glazing. Ability to undertake manual handling tasks such as porterage of furniture and deliveries. Ability to undertake testing and log keeping to help ensure statutory compliance. 	Basic understanding of office 365 including teams.	Application/ Interview/Skills Test
Knowledge	Knowledge of health and safety legislation and good practice and how they apply in a school environment.		Application/ Interview/Skills Test
Personal qualities	 Able to develop and maintain effective working relationships and work well in a team. Willing to be flexible in relation to working hours. Ability to act on own initiative, dealing with any unexpected problems that arise. Willing to develop through training opportunities. Sense of humour Hardworking, conscientious, motivated, professional and enthusiastic Hardworking, conscientious, motivated, professional and enthusiastic 		Application/ Interview