Thames View Infants tvi learning **Bastable Avenue** **Barking** **IG11 0LG** **Headteacher: Paul Jordan** **ThamesViewInfants.org** **Part of the TVI Learning Trust** **Bluesky/YouTube @TVInfants**	**Teaching Assistants with EYFS/ KS1, and/or SEND Specialism** 27.5 hours (8.45-3:15 daily) term-time only + possible additional hours for breakfast club, after school clubs or planning meeting **Fixed Term Contracts** **until December 2027** **Salary:** Scale 3-4 (depending on experience and qualifications) £20,460.02 – £21,053.48

Are you passionate about helping young children learn, communicate and thrive?

At Thames View Infants, we believe that every child deserves to be understood, included, challenged and supported to achieve their very best.

We are looking for **enthusiastic, skilled and child-centred Teaching Assistants** to join our vibrant, friendly and ambitious school. We welcome applicants with experience or particular strengths in **Early Years, Key Stage 1 and/or Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)**.

We want people who genuinely enjoy working with young children, understand how children learn and develop, and can make a positive difference through the quality of their everyday interactions.

This is much more than a supporting role. Our Teaching Assistants are active partners in children's learning, helping them develop language, confidence, independence, positive relationships and the skills and they need to succeed.

What will you do?

Working alongside our teachers, Teaching Assistants and Inclusion Team, you will:

- Support children's learning and development across EYFS, KS1 and/or our specialist SEND provision.
- Help children develop their speaking, listening, early reading, phonics, writing and mathematical understanding, as appropriate to their needs.
- Use purposeful conversation, modelling, questioning and scaffolding to extend children's thinking, communication and learning.
- Support individual children and small groups, including those with additional needs, following agreed teaching approaches and support programmes.
- Encourage children to become increasingly confident, independent, empowered and resilient learners.
- Build warm, trusting relationships with children, nurturing their emotional wellbeing, confidence, independence and positive interactions with others.
- Work closely with teachers and colleagues, contributing to a vibrant, inclusive and purposeful learning environment.

What are we looking for?

Above all, we want people with **a genuine passion for children's education and development**, together with the skills, commitment and professional attitude to make a difference.

You will:

- Have relevant practical experience of engaging with, supporting or educating young children. This need not have been gained exclusively in a school.
- Be kind, emotionally available and able to build trusting relationships with children, including those with complex or additional needs.

- Have **good spoken and written English**, enabling you to model language effectively, support children's early literacy and communicate professionally.
- Be confident supporting learning, willing to develop your knowledge and able to follow guidance accurately.
- Be proactive, observant and able to use your initiative while recognising when to seek advice or support.
- Be calm, patient, resilient and able to respond constructively to challenging situations.
- Be professional, punctual, reliable, flexible and committed to high standards.
- Work positively as part of a team, welcome constructive feedback and be willing to learn and adapt.

Experience in EYFS, KS1 or SEND provision, and relevant qualifications, will be particularly welcome. We are interested in both **experienced practitioners and promising candidates with the right skills, aptitude and commitment to develop**. An understanding of safeguarding, inclusion and the developmental needs of young children is essential.

What can Thames View Infants offer you?

- The opportunity to make a meaningful difference to children's learning and lives.
- A welcoming, diverse and inclusive school community.
- A supportive team of teachers, Teaching Assistants and inclusion professionals.
- Opportunities to develop your skills and professional practice.
- A school with high expectations, a distinctive approach to learning and a strong commitment to children's wellbeing.
- Great transport links (Barking/Barking Riverside Stations, EL1/2).

Come and see us!

We strongly recommend that prospective applicants visit Thames View Infants before applying. A visit will help you understand our children, our learning environments and how we work.

We reserve the right to close this campaign once we have a suitable pool of applicants therefore encourage applications to be made as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Closing date: Friday 4th December 2026 (noon)

How to apply:

1. Watch our School Video.
2. Review the Job Descriptions (Scale 3 and Scale 4)
3. Complete the **Non-Teaching Application Form** AND our **Safer Recruitment Form**.
4. Return both electronically to Kelly.Ager@thamesviewinfants.org (stating "Teaching Assistant" in the subject line).
5. **Please note, CVs will not be considered. Only new applicants need apply.**
6. Our website offers essential tips and guidance about applying for a position at our School.

Thames View Infants is an Outstanding School.

We comply fully with the ethos of safer recruitment and undertake all relevant checks, including enhanced DBS clearance. All candidates must disclose any spent or unspent convictions.

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