



## EYFS Teaching Assistant – English Curriculum

St John's College School Nanjing is looking to recruit a team of wonderful kindergarten English teaching assistants to teach and care for students from 3-6 years old from September 2018. Recruitment will be ongoing to meet the needs of a growing school.

St John's College School Nanjing is opening its doors for the first time in China, instilling the ethos and values and following the teaching methodology of the famous [St John's College School](#), in Cambridge, UK. St John's has long enjoyed a national reputation in the UK for the exceptional quality of education and care it provides. The School traces its roots to the Seventeenth Century when it was founded by St John's College, in the University of Cambridge, for the education of the Choristers of the College Choir.

### Person Specification

The successful candidate must offer the following:

- native English speaker
- a CELTA, TESOL or other qualification in Teaching English as a Foreign Language
- an honours degree in an appropriate discipline
- successful experience of teaching English as a Foreign Language to young learners

### Desirables

- knowledge of the UK Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum
- an interest in the use of digital technology for teaching and learning
- ability to teach specialised subjects such as Music or P.E. an advantage
- a First Aid qualification or a willingness to undertake First Aid training
- some knowledge of Mandarin Chinese would be useful but not essential.

### Qualities

- a commitment to developing the individual talents and meeting the individual needs of each child within and beyond the curriculum
- a commitment to the pastoral care of, and respect for, children
- an ability to communicate with and co-operate with colleagues

Overall, the successful candidate can look forward to working within an outstanding environment for the care and education of young children in China.

### Responsibilities

- provide excellent English teaching to students through teacher-led carpet sessions and during independent learning
- plan high-quality lessons that make English learning fun and engaging for young children
- provide excellent pastoral care for students during and outside of class time
- take on supervision duties during break time to support the overall running of the school
- uphold the values and ethos of the school at all times through a mindful attitude and caring nature

### **Terms of Employment**

- Approximately 40 hours' working time per week
- One-year full-time contract
- Position subject to a successful police check and reference checks.

### **Remuneration and benefits**

- Salary scale between 15,000 and 20,000RMB for a full-time English Teaching Assistant role including housing allowance (3,000RMB); the entry point on the scale will depend upon qualifications, skills and experience.
- Comprehensive training programme including internal training in Nanjing and online training with St John's College School, Cambridge.
- Flight reimbursement.

### **School Information**

St John's College School Nanjing is a kindergarten for students aged 3-6 years old in the southern district of Jiangning (江宁) in Nanjing, Jiangsu province. Located on a site of more than 7,000m<sup>2</sup> indoor and outdoor space, this newly built school will provide the best facilities and learning environment for its, up to 240, local students. Students will enjoy large, well equipped classrooms with up to only 20 students in each class, multi-function rooms for drama, music, art and reading, as well as a large bright cafeteria to enjoy a delicious offering of healthy daily meals eaten in the lovely communal space. The outdoor areas provide a wealth of explorative learning spaces from the Forest Garden, complete with underground tunnels and water features (and of course trees!), to the football pitch and trampolines on the roof. Learning outside is just as important as learning inside and this site provides fantastic opportunities for both. Situated on Jiangjun Dadao (将军大道), the school is easily accessible and within walking distance from the nearest metro line (S1).

The students will be taught by three professional teachers; a Mandarin-speaking Key Teacher, a Mandarin-speaking Chinese Teaching Assistant (CTA) and an English Teaching Assistant (ETA), who work together to provide a bilingual play-based learning environment that focuses on child-led activities that promote the growth of all areas of a child's development. Special emphasis at St John's is placed on the well-being of each and every child, focusing particular attention on emotional development through our Emotions4Learning programme.

School Address: Meizhiguo Huayuan, No.2 Jiangjun Dadao, Nanjing City, Jiangsu Province, China

### **Applications**

Please send an up-to-date CV and cover letter, stating why you would like to work at St John's College School Nanjing and why you think you are suited to this role, to Sandy Lennox, Foreign Head, St John's College School Nanjing; email: [slennox@sjcs.co.uk](mailto:slennox@sjcs.co.uk).

Short-listed candidates will be invited to a series of interviews. Following successful interviews, a candidate will be asked to provide references of previous employment and undergo a police check.