



Teaching Assistant 1-Year Fixed Term

Start Date:	Week commencing 5th January onwards
Contract:	1-Year Fixed Term
Hours:	08.45-12.15 Mon-Thurs, 14 hours per week
Salary:	Surrey PS3.3, £24,331 FTE (£10,175.18 pro rata, over 39 weeks)
Applications Close:	Friday 12th December
Interviews:	Week Commencing 15th December 2025

Following the formation of the Goldfinch Trust, we are delighted to announce an exciting opportunity for an **additional Teaching Assistant** on a **one-year fixed-term basis**, as we pilot the introduction of an additional classroom to our services.

This is initially a fixed-term role, that will be reviewed as there may be potential scope for the position to develop as our provision, as the Trust continue to grow.

If you are passionate about education and eager to be part of an innovative and expanding Trust, we would love to hear from you!

Formally established in September 2025, Goldfinch Trust brings together three highly specialist settings Maudsley & Bethlem Hospital School (MBHS), Kings College Hospital School (KCHS), and St Peter's Centre, united by a shared belief: that every child, regardless of their medical complexity or personal challenges, deserves access to exceptional education.

St. Peter's Centre provision currently supports up to 16 full-time equivalent pupils who are unable to access a full-time mainstream education due to medical needs, whether physical or emotional. We are passionate about extending our services to support up to an additional six part-time students by introducing an additional morning session in our additional classroom.

St. Peter's Centre is a nurturing and inclusive environment where staff enjoy:

- Outstanding behaviour from pupils
- A positive and supportive working culture
- Excellent outcomes for students, both academically and emotionally

Our students are a truly fantastic group of young people. They are generally quiet, with low self-esteem, and are often vulnerable. Many have significant gaps in prior learning, but with carefully directed teaching and consistent support, they are able to make rapid progress and frequently go on to achieve GCSEs. They require committed and passionate staff who bring patience, consistency, and empathy to their role. If you are someone who can build trust and foster resilience, this is the perfect opportunity for you.

As a Teaching Assistant at St. Peter's Centre, you will play a vital role in supporting students with medical and emotional needs, often working on a 1:1 basis or with small groups. You will build strong, trusting relationships with students, helping them to feel safe, valued, and ready to learn. Your day-to-day work will involve providing a calm, supportive environment with individualised support to students, assisting the teacher to prepare learning and classroom resources and ensure a coordinated and consistent approach.

Our Teaching Assistants are not prompters or prodders, they are there to fully facilitate learning and is a highly rewarding role. Your presence and consistency can have a profound impact on a young person's confidence, progress, and future.

We Are Ideally Looking for Someone With:

- Experience of working with children or young people, ideally in education, healthcare, or pastoral roles
- A calm, empathetic, and flexible approach
- Strong communication and teamwork skills
- A commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children

Safeguarding Statement

The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. Applicants must undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

Keeping Children Safe in Education 2025 (KCSIE) sets out the requirement that schools and colleges may conduct an 'online search' as part of their due diligence processes on shortlisted candidates. This online search may be conducted for shortlisted candidates for this position.

Applications from agencies will not be considered and all applications must be made on the school's application form.

For an informal discussion regarding this position, please email: Yolande Mead at yolandem@sphpru.surrey.sch.uk

We want to be an inclusive and diverse employer of first choice, reflecting the community we serve and particularly welcome applications from all under-represented groups.