

# General Staff

## **Position Description**

**Position Title:** Language Assistant - Spanish

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**Reports To:** Head of Learning - Languages

Prepared by: Director of Human Resources

#### **Position Purpose**

The Language Assistant works with senior students to help with their language skills to ensure they are prepared for oral examinations.

#### **Position Status**

This position is casual. The role commences at a mutually agreed time and ends when the end of year oral examinations have concluded.

#### **Roles and Responsibilities**

Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Assisting the classroom language teachers with oral work in preparation for outcomes and examinations
- Working with individual students or groups of 2-4 students
- Helping students with points of grammar
- Assisting the classroom language teachers in classes: walking around class, helping students, checking work
- Helping the classroom language teachers by working together with them preparing listening activities/files, questions, worksheets, visual materials, appropriate internet sites, etc.

### **Qualifications and Experience**

It is a condition of employment that all staff provide a current Employee Working with Children Check or VIT before their position will be confirmed. A Criminal Record check may also be requested in certain circumstances.

For Teachers at the College, VIT registration and a tertiary qualification in Education is required as a minimum.

For General Staff at the College, appropriate qualifications or experience for the specific role is a requirement.

#### **Child Safe Responsibilities and Requirements**

St Leonard's College has zero tolerance for child abuse.

St Leonard's College is committed to the safety and wellbeing of our students.

All employees are required to have a positive history of working with children, and be able to demonstrate their suitability, experience and attributes in relation to child safety.

Prior to commencing employment information will be collected in order to establish suitability for child-connected work as defined in Ministerial Order 1359.

Everyone working at St Leonard's College is responsible for the care and protection of the children and young people

within our care and reporting of information about suspected child abuse. This includes not only a strong belief but also a legal requirement to comply with the child safety and protection obligations under Ministerial Order No. 1359, and a strong commitment to be actively engaged in the College's child safe culture.

All members of staff share in the responsibility for the prevention and detection of child abuse, and must:

- Be responsible for understanding and applying the College's Child Safe Policy including being compliant with the Child Safe Code of Conduct and being proactive in reporting any concerns or identified risk, and will be required to read and formally acknowledge their acceptance of the school's Code of Conduct for staff
- Take all reasonable steps to protect children from abuse
- Report any reasonable belief that a child's safety is at risk to the Principal or delegate
- Teachers, nurses and psychologists fulfil their obligations as mandatory reporters
- Report any suspicion that a child's safety may be at risk to their supervisor (or, if their supervisor is involved in the suspicion, to the Principal or delegate)
- Promote the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children
- Promote the safety, participation and empowerment of children with culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds
- Promote the safety, participation and empowerment of children with a disability
- Provide an environment that is supportive of all children's emotional and physical safety

### **General Responsibilities**

All staff are to be supportive of the St Leonard's College Mission Statement and to enhance the school's reputation as one which is a warm and caring environment, characterised by efficiency, professionalism and a willingness to meet the individual needs of those within its community.

This position is covered by the conditions stipulated in the *St Leonard's College Agreement 2023*, and any subsequent Agreement.

- The College:
  - is an equal opportunity employer
  - o complies with the requirements of the Privacy Act
  - has a strong commitment to Health, Safety and Wellbeing
  - o will not tolerate harassment of any kind.
- College Standards all staff are expected to actively support the following standards:
  - o Communication effective, helpful and positive
  - Confidentiality Protect the privacy and confidentiality of all personal information (staff/families/students)
  - Teamwork work together as a team to achieve the best results. Share information and collaborate across all sections of the College; trust, respect and support
  - Accountability we do our work with honesty, integrity and enthusiasm
  - Performance we perform to the best of our ability
  - o Initiative looking for opportunities to improve the way we work; flexible, adaptable and efficient.