

Newstead Road Pre-School

Job Description

Job title: Apprentice Pre-school Assistant
Responsible to: Pre-school Manager

Purpose of the job

1. To be trained to undertake the responsibilities of Pre-School Assistant.
2. To work as part of the pre-school team under the direction of the manager.
3. To provide safe, high quality education and care for young children which meets the individual needs of children attending the setting.

Main duties

1. To undertake training to obtain recognised early years childcare qualifications, including completing assignments on time and attending all applicable college sessions.
2. To assist with the planning of the curriculum using the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum for guidance.
3. To set up for the daily programme and to clean and tidy away at the end of the session.
4. To ensure each child's needs are recognised and met.
5. To work in partnership with parents/carers and other family members.
6. To advise the Pre-school Manager of any concerns (for example over children, parents or the safety of equipment), preserving confidentiality as necessary.
7. To teach children, offering an appropriate level of support and stimulating play experiences.
8. To ensure that children are kept safe and that you understand when to follow child protection procedures.
9. To support meal times within the setting.
10. To observe and accurately report on children's knowledge, understanding and skills.
11. To actively participate at team meetings, supervision meetings and appraisal meetings.
12. To attend training courses as required and to take responsibility for your development.
13. To keep completely confidential any information, acquired as part of the job, regarding children, their families or other staff.
14. To be aware of and adhere to all the setting's operational policies and procedures, including (but not limited to) health and safety, fire precautions, dropping off and collection of children, food safety, equal opportunities, safeguarding and cleanliness of the setting.

15. To ensure that adequate records are kept and updated regularly.
16. To promote the nursery to current parents and potential customers.
17. To attend activities outside normal working hours as required including staff meetings, parent/carer meetings, special events and training.
18. To undertake any other reasonable duties as directed by the Pre-school Manager, in accordance with the setting's business plan or objectives.

This job description is not an exhaustive list of duties. The post holder will be required to undertake any other reasonable duties as discussed with and directed by their line manager.

Person specification

Essential criteria

1. Punctuality, patience, reliability and trustworthiness.
2. Willingness to learn and commitment to undertake further training.
3. Good communication skills.
4. Good standard of education, especially in English and Maths.
5. Commitment to equal opportunities.
6. Commitment to working effectively with young children and families.
7. Friendly and flexible approach at work which facilitates the development of effective relationships.

Desirable criteria

1. Some previous experience of working with young children.
2. Competence working with ICT.

This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (1974) and does require a criminal records check. Applicants must be prepared to disclose any convictions they may have and any orders which have been made against them.