

**Job Description & Person Specification** 

**Assistant Caretaker** 







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Salary: Scale 3 (Actual Salary £17,681)
Location: Any of the Laurus Trust Schools.

Start Date: October 2018

**Hours:** 37 hrs per week between the hours of 6.00am and 7.00pm Monday – Friday plus overtime for events

#### Purpose of the post:

- The Assistant Caretaker will be responsible to the Estates Manager for the security of the premises and its
  contents (including the operation of fire and burglar alarms and key holder responsibilities) lighting, heating
  and maintenance of the premises.
- To maintain and enhance the high quality of the school, buildings, grounds and environment.
- To undertake maintenance / repair work as directed.

Reporting to: Estates Manager

#### SUMMARY OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND PERSONAL DUTIES:

### **KEY AREAS**

#### **Security**

- To lock and unlock the premises and to ensure the security and safety of the site including at weekends if necessary.
- To be a key holder and be responsible for, and undertake, all key holder duties including response to emergency call out.
- To undertake overtime duties related to the use of the premises for school evening and weekend functions and to help organise and plan the car parking on site during such events.
- To share duties to ensure the site is staffed at all times including holidays and sickness from 6.00am to 7.00pm.

#### **Buildings**

- To assist in the setting up of rooms for lettings, school events and ensuring classrooms are set up correctly for school use after such events.
- To replenish toilet rolls, paper towels and soap.
- To collect and dispose of recycle paper into the appropriate collection container.
- To empty playground bins.
- To undertake cleaning duties to ensure that the schools' premises are always clean and tidy and free from litter, graffiti and broken glass in order to provide an excellent environment.
- To assist with checks at appropriate intervals as directed, of the fire alarm system, escape routes, fire extinguishers, and emergency lighting and keep records of these.
- To undertake handyperson duties as directed.
- To set up and remove equipment for examinations under the direction from the Exams Officer.
- To undertake porterage duties including the distribution of deliveries, moving furniture and equipment and facilitating events such as assemblies.
- To assist in ensuring that drains and gullies are tidy and litter free including the cleaning of grease traps where appropriate.

- To ensure that all on-site service meters and associated returns are completed as required by the Trust and records are kept.
- To be responsible for monitoring stock levels of consumable items and for passing requisitions to the Estates Manager.

#### **Health & Safety**

- To ensure that the Health and Safety Guidance is adhered to and that the appropriate clothing is worn at all times.
- To ensure that all machinery and cleaning materials are stored and used correctly and in an appropriate manner and that accidents at work and defects of equipment, machinery or premises are reported.
- To assist in ensuring that snow is removed from main entrances and walkways between buildings and that surfaces are gritted where appropriate during inclement weather.

#### General

- To undertake such other duties related to the work of the department appropriate to the post, as may be assigned
- To fulfil personal requirements, where appropriate, with regard to school policies and procedures, health, safety and welfare, emergency, evacuation and security
- To take responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of students in the school
- To work positively and inclusively with colleagues so that the School and Trust provide a workplace and deliver services that do not discriminate against people on the grounds of their age, sexuality, religion or belief, race, gender or disabilities.
- To work flexibly in the interests of the service. This may include undertaking other duties provided that these are appropriate to the employee's background, skills and abilities
- To undertake any training required by the Trust including First Aid Training.
- You may be required to undertake this Assistant Caretaking role on any of the Trusts School Sites.

# Person Specification

ATTRIBUTES	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	HOW IDENTIFIED
Education and training	A good standard of general education with a Minimum Maths and English GCSE C or equivalent.		Application Form/Interview
2. Relevant Experience	Basic cleaning skills	Security, supervision and stock control	Application Form/Interview
3. Special Knowledge and skills	D.I.Y Skills to carry out daily maintenance tasks and basic refurbishment work.	Trade qualification	Application Form/Interview
	Ability to understand basic Health & Safety regulations		Application Form/Interview
	Communication skills  1 Must be able to receive and understand oral instructions		Application Form/Interview
	2 Must be able to write and fill in weekly return forms		Application Form/Interview
	Organisational ability. Must be able to organise workload with the Estates Manager and be self-motivated.		Application Form/Interview
	Computer literate – must be able to use Word and Excel packages		Application Form/Interview
4. Additional Factors	Must be able to lift (e.g. items of furniture) bend, climb ladders.		Application Form/Interview
	Must be available between 6.00am and 7.00pm and to be flexible to cover evening and weekend working.		Application Form/Interview
	Own transport and holder of a valid Driving License		Application Form/Interview
	Must be available for Alarm call out Duty.		Application Form/Interview
	Must be available to open up at weekends as required if necessary		Application
	Must be willing to undertake First Aid Training and any other training deemed necessary for the role		Form/Interview

The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment.



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