

Job Title:	Early Years Practitioner

Thorpe Underwood Estate is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment.

	Essential	Desirable	Method of
	These are qualities without which the applicant could not be appointed	These are extra qualities which can be used to choose between applicants who meet all of the essential criteria	Assessment
Qualifications	The professional, technical or academic qualifications that the applicant must have to undertake the role or the training that they must have received • Level 3 qualification in childcare	The professional, technical or academic qualifications that the applicant would ideally have to undertake the role or the training that they should ideally have received	Contents of Application Form Production of Certificates at Interview
Experience	The categories of work or organisations, types of achievements and activities that would be likely to predict success in the role. • Experience of working within an early years setting	The categories of work or organisations, types of achievements and activities that would be likely to contribute to success in the role.	Contents of Application Form Interview References Lesson Observation Certificates
Skills	The skills required to perform effectively in the role. • Demonstrate excellent planning and organisational skills • Able to communicate effectively with staff, pupils, parents and carers	The skills that would enable the applicant to perform effectively in the role.	Contents of Application Form Interview References Lesson Observation Performance Management Data



	Able to observe, support and extend children's learning		
Knowledge	The knowledge required by the applicant to perform effectively in the role. • Knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage Statutory Guidance and curriculum	The knowledge that would enable the applicant to perform effectively in the role. • Knowledge of Child Protection/Safeguarding	Contents of Application Form Interview References Lesson Observation
Personal competencies and qualities	The personal qualities that the applicant requires to perform effectively in the role and to ensure that the applicant safeguards and promotes the welfare of children and young people • Motivation to work with children and young people. • Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people • To be proactive with your own professional development and in supporting others in meeting individual needs • Be a positive role model to students and staff, demonstrating effective strategy	The personal qualities that would assist the applicant to perform effectively in the role. • A sense of humour	Contents of Application Form Interview References