

Job Description & Person Specification

Out of School Play Worker

Gorsey Bank Primary School







Senior Out of School Play Worker

Salary: Scale 1

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE JOB:

To work as part of the out of school provision for Gorsey Bank Primary School providing high standards of care and play opportunities for children between the ages of 4 and 11 years old in a safe, secure and stimulating environment.

SUMMARY OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND PERSONAL DUTIES: KEY AREAS

Main Duties

- To work within the breakfast and afterschool clubs to ensure the highest quality of service for the children attending
- To support the Senior Playleader to provide a stimulating, inclusive, clean, safe environment both indoor and outdoor which promotes play and exploration and meets the needs of individual children and their families
- To assist the Senior Playleader in the day to day organisation and operation of the club in lines with policies and procedures and Ofsted guidelines
- To be an essential part of a team of playworkers ensuring play materials and equipment are properly
 used, maintained and stored, reporting any worn/ damaged materials to the manager
- Ensure the safety of children at all times and administer first aid as appropriate
- Record and monitor the whereabouts of children during the operation of the clubs, ensuring they are signed in and out
- To support the smooth operation of the service in the absence of the Senior Playleader
- To contribute to a weekly plan of activities which are appropriate, varied and follow children's interests and ensures a difference to the school day with quiet space available
- To observe, monitor and evaluate children's responses to activities and adjust accordingly to ensure children remain stimulated and that they develop through play
- To maintain records for key children as required
- To adhere to all policies and procedures in place such as Safeguarding, health and safety, food hygiene, accidents and incidents
- To contribute to the delivery of the food service provided and encourage children to be independent during meal times
- To ensure that professional working relationships are developed and maintained with other key personnel
- To work in partnership with the children attending to ensure they feel part of the decision making
- To work in partnership with parents and carers to ensure they feel fully involved in their child's care

General

- To undertake such other duties related to the work of the whole school appropriate to the post, as may be assigned
- To attend relevant meeting and participate in training opportunities and performance development as required for the effective delivery of the role
- To work positively and inclusively with colleagues and stakeholders so that the school provides a
 workplace and delivers a service that does not discriminate against people on the ground of their
 age, sexuality, religion or belief, race, gender or disabilities.
- To fulfill personal requirements, where appropriate, with regard to school policies and procedures, health, safety and welfare, emergency, evacuation and security.

Person Specification

Essential Knowledge and Skills	Essential Personal Attributes	Desirable Knowledge and Skills
 Minimum 3 years' experience of working with children ages 4–11 Excellent skills in encouraging positive behaviour Good knowledge and understanding of play and how to create opportunities for a wide range of ages and interests Sound understanding of safeguarding and welfare requirements Ability to plan play activities and use evaluation to inform planning Ability to follow policies and procedures to ensure children get the most out of accessing the service 	 Ability to communicate well with a wide range of stakeholders Flexible approach to delivering a service Ability to work closely with parents and carers to ensure children receive the best care 	 First aid certificate NVQ Level 2 in playwork or other relevant equivalent Food Hygiene qualification Understanding of the Early Years and Childcare provider framework Competent in the use of basic IT such as Word, Excel and email

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