



ST. JOHN'S WALHAM GREEN CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Love one another"

Person Specification: Senior Playworker

PURPOSE:

To lead and support a team of Playworkers to develop and deliver afterschool care and holiday play provision. Facilitate a rich play environment and plan appropriate activities for children aged 3 to 11 years old. Provide for the social, emotional, physical and recreational needs of children by establishing and maintaining a safe, creative and stimulating environment. Work co-operatively with parents/carers, staff team and other professionals to ensure that the care and play needs of children are met. Work with the school to further develop the provision and ensure a quality playful experience for all children. Ensure adherence to statutory requirements and good practice standards for all the children attending. Promote positive values and attitudes in line with the school ethos.

ITEM	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of an NVQ Level 3 qualification or higher in Playwork, Early Years or equivalent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Aid/Child Protection Training Health & Safety certificate First Aid certificate Completion of other relevant courses Food Hygiene Certificate
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experience of working with children of a relevant age in a play setting Experience of leading staff, including involvement in induction and supervision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interest in the care, learning and development of young children
Knowledge and Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding and commitment to the Playwork Principles Ability to work creatively Knowledge of relevant health and safety and Food Hygiene in the workplace guidelines Ability to relate well to children and adults Work constructively as part of a team A positive approach to learning and gaining new skills through teamwork and training opportunities Good written and verbal skills for report writing, maintaining child records and providing feedback to parents/carers and colleagues Knowledge and understanding of safeguarding procedures in schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability to keep up to date with relevant paperwork and day to day tasks Knowledge of relevant health and safety and Food Hygiene in the workplace guidelines Demonstrate an understanding of the curriculum, both early years and primary. Competent in using computer systems including email and Microsoft Word and Publisher

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Personal Qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good organisational, record keeping and planning skills• Punctual, reliable and trustworthy• Excellent communication skills, with children, colleagues, advisors and parents/carers• Patience• A positive approach to inclusive practice, with children and colleagues• Enthusiasm for working with young children	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Flexibility – occasionally working hours might be changed• Able to work in small teams
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