

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Pre-School Practitioner

Responsible to: Deputy Manager & Pre-School Manager

Purpose of the job: To assist in the aims and objectives of Potten End Pre-

School.

To provide high quality care and education for children based on the guidelines and practice in the Early Years

Foundation Stage.

To work within a team offering an excellent provision for

all children and families attending the setting.

Requirements

 Sound knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage framework and child development

• Level 3 Early Years qualification

Main Duties

Under the direction of the Room Leader / Deputy / Manager

- To work within our Early Years team, supporting the planning of and implementation of activities with individual or groups of children
- To work consistently, enthusiastically and have a confident, committed approach.
- To provide high quality play experiences which fully implement the Early Years Foundation Stage.
- To be a key person responsible for robust, relevant observations, moderation and planning of activities.
- To have appropriate knowledge and skills to monitor and assess development needs and to relate to each child as an individual.
- To ensure that the Pre-School offers the highest standards of physical and emotional care, health and safety, and personal and food hygiene; including food allergens at all times.
- To ensure all children have equal access to opportunities to learn and develop.
- To respond to the children's needs in a sensitive manner.
- To adhere to Potten End Pre-School policies and procedures.
- To have sound knowledge of safeguarding.
- To understand that work requires bending, kneeling and crouching for periods of time and may also involve lifting or holding children during planned activities, and changing nappies/toileting duties.
- To support all planned and unplanned learning and development activities and experiences, both child-initiated and adult directed.

- To build strong, trusting relationships with parents/carers to support the children and ensure their needs are recognised and met.
- To develop positive and sensitive relationships with parents and carers to support their role in children's learning.
- To communicate effectively and sensitively with parents/carers and children.
- To ensure that families especially children from all social and cultural groups will feel valued and secure.
- To have a good knowledge and understanding of equality of opportunity and diversity.
- To work in partnership with parents/carers, prepare for and attend termly review meetings and provide constructive feedback on children's development and progress.
- To make the Pre-School welcoming and where possible accessible to all children and parents/carers with special needs.
- To use initiative and make decisions within a team.
- To assist in the setting up and clearing away of all activities and equipment.
- To attend in service training courses and meetings as required.
- To keep up to date with current issues and developments concerning the Early Years and to undertake further training as required and that may take place outside of your contracted hours.
- To be proactive in the continuation of your own learning to improve outcomes for children and their families.
- To assist the Pre-School manager in general admin tasks when appropriate.
- To be flexible with the working practices of the pre-school.
- To be added to a list of bank staff who will be contacted if the Pre-School is going to fall below ratio.
- To perform any other duties as deemed necessary by the Pre-School Manager.
- To promote the setting to current parents and potential customers.

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

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