



HIGHFIELD PRE-SCHOOL MANAGER (MATERNITY LEAVE) JOB DESCRIPTION

Responsible to: Head of Early Years

Works for: Head of Highfield, Head of Early Years and Principal of HLC

Involvement with: Children, Parents and Staff of Highfield Pre-School, Head of Early Years, The Deputy Head of Highfield, Head of Highfield.

Hours: Full Time (37.5 hours) – Year-round.

Job Purpose:

- Lead the Early Years provision and staff in Pre-School with the support of the Head of Early Years
- Deliver quality education and care for the pupils in Pre-School
- Act as Deputy Safeguarding Lead for Pre-School and be part of the whole school DSL team
- Ensure that appropriate provision is in place for the Pre-School's Before School Care, After School Care and Holiday Clubs.

Main Duties

- Be responsible for the high-quality Early Years teaching and learning in Pre-School, promoting excellence and upholding the School's aims and mission.
- Be the Designated Safeguarding Lead for Pre-School and to join the Safeguarding Team as a DDSL.
- Oversee the supervision of Pre-School staff.
- Liaise with the Head of Inclusive Learning to ensure that pupils of all abilities receive appropriate support or extension, ensuring that intervention strategies are in place and are monitored.
- Deal directly with Pre-School staff with any issues or concerns in the first instance.
- Assist the Head of EYFS in carrying out staff appraisals each year.
- Distribute information to Pre-School staff – rotas, planning sheets, registers, meeting notes as appropriate.
- Monitor pastoral welfare for both pupils and staff.
- Co-ordinate Pre-School events such as: Nativity, Sports Day and Open Day.
- Liaise with Cleaning Manager, Estates Bursar, Estates Compliance Manager when appropriate.
- Liaise and organise baking needs and resources.
- When appropriate, meet with the Catering Manager to review snacks, lunches and numbers.
- Organise school trips using HLC documentation.

- Support the Head of Highfield and the Head of Early Years in Inspection preparation.
- Work with the Head of Highfield and the Marketing Team to ensure that the Pre-School is marketed appropriately.
- Contribute to strategic planning and the Whole School Development Plan.
- Play a major part in pupil recruitment and retention and help with tours as appropriate.
- Work with the Head of Early Years to ensure that standards of teaching and learning are of the highest level and best practice at all times.
- Work with the Head of Early Years on matters concerning the teaching staff – deployment, allocation of roles, monitoring, work sampling, lesson observations and disciplinary matters.
- Write reports at the end of the year for Key Person children.
- Oversee and check reports for Pre-School.
- Attend CPD courses.
- Liaise with Bursary regarding additional sessions, billing and ordering of resources.
- Be responsible for pupils and work experience students as well as updating/amending their paper work.
- Discuss on a regular basis any issues/concerns or worries with Head of Early Years.
- Support and direct staff to ensure high standards and the smooth running of Highfield Pre-School.
- Ensure timetabling and deployment of staff and children is suitable
- Support the Head of Early Years in meetings with parents or other teachers when necessary.
- Attend meetings throughout HLC, IAPS and other Early Years groups with staff from across all phases when appropriate.
- Oversee the correct organisation and staffing of the Early Years Holiday Club throughout the year
- Ensure that there is adequate staffing for the Before and After School provision.
- Oversee the budget for Pre-School.

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Essential:

Qualifications and training

- Early Years Professional Status - Minimum Level 3 childcare qualification
- First aid training
- Good knowledge of child protection and safeguarding
- Excellent planning, organising and time management skills
- IT skills

Skills and Knowledge

- An understanding of professional development opportunities for EYFS.
- A clear understanding of how to monitor staff performance and communicate this to a senior leadership team.

Personal attributes

- A high level of accuracy and attention to detail.
- Excellent time management skills, interpersonal skills and organisation.
- An ability to think strategically and manage problems.

Desirable

Qualifications and Training

- Early Years Professional Status – Level 5 Diploma
- Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) assessment, observation, planning and training.
- Experience of working in a nursery as part of an independent school setting

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