



Role Profile: Early Years Midday Assistant

Purpose

Responsible, under the direction of the Line Manager/s or other nominated staff, either individually or as part of a team, for securing the safety, welfare and good conduct of children during the lunchtime break period, in accordance with agreed practices and procedures.

<i>Reporting to:</i>	Head of Early Years
<i>Department:</i>	Early Years (ages 2 ^{1/2} – 4 years)
<i>Working hours:</i>	Part-time, five days per week, 11:15am – 13:15pm (Term time 35 weeks plus inset days)
<i>Checks:</i>	Enhanced DBS and 3 satisfactory references

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Benefits

- Competitive Salary
- Contributory Pension Scheme
- School fee discount
- Professional development
- School holidays and public holidays

Key Accountabilities

- Helping walk children over to the Dining Hall.
- Supervising the washing of hands prior to entering the Dining Hall
- Monitor and control children behaviour in the lunch queue and whilst children are sat down.
- Helping children to cut up food, scraping and stacking plates
- Ensure that crockery, cutlery and leftovers are returned to the relevant place after use
- Clean up spillages or debris around the dining/play areas to ensure the maintenance of good order, discipline and safety
- Offer play activities in the playground after eating and inside during periods of bad weather
- Assist children with toileting if required and help change children if any accidents occur
- Supervise the conduct of the children, ensuring safe and orderly conduct within and outside the premises
- Ensure children remain out of the school building when they should be outside
- Deal with minor incidents and refer to senior staff if necessary
- Administer First Aid as needed, following Health and Safety Guidelines and procedures for First Aid

Other Duties

- To be aware of and comply with policies and procedures relating to safeguarding, health and safety, security, confidentiality and data protection, reporting any concerns to an appropriate person
- To be aware of and support diversity and equal opportunities for all, appreciating and supporting the role of other professionals
- To contribute to the overall ethos, work and aims of the school
- To attend and participate in meetings as required
- To participate in training and other learning activities
- Fully and positively participate in the schools appraisal system in order to develop and enhance personal and school performance
- To undertake all other duties commensurate with the level of the post as required, to ensure

Safeguarding Responsibilities

- To comply with safeguarding policies, procedures and code of conduct
- To demonstrate a personal commitment to safeguarding and student/colleague wellbeing
- To ensure that any safeguarding concerns or incidents are reported appropriately in line with policy
- To engage in safeguarding training when required

Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade A-C in G.C.S.E English and Maths 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Years Teaching Assistant or equivalent (NVQ Level 2) Paediatric First Aid Food & Safety Hygiene
Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent written and oral communication skills 	
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use of basic first aid equipment as required Be familiar with the safe use of outdoor equipment Experience of working with Early Years children (aged 2^{1/2} to 4 years) and able to meet their needs Able to deal with children and adults with tact and sensitivity Able to communicate effectively at all levels Able to build and develop positive relationships with teaching staff 	
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge of regulations and requirements Understanding of Safeguarding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding of regulatory compliance requirements Basic understanding of Preventing Extremism

Key Stakeholders:

Internal - Teachers, Heads, internal colleagues, parents, students, school staff

This role profile is not exhaustive and may be changed at any time to meet the changing requirements of Cognita. This role profile does not direct any particular priorities or amount of time to be spent carrying out these duties.

Signed:

Date:

Name (Print):