

# **OUTDOOR LEARNING PROJECT LEADER**

RESPONSIBLE TO: Head teacher or School Business Manager SALARY: Scale 5 point 12 HOURS OF WORK: 3 days a week/ all year around/ one year contract

**JOB DESCRIPTION:** 

Job purpose:

The post holder will support teachers in accessing outdoor learning spaces.

The post holder will care for, manage and develop identified garden areas and livestock, making them useable for the children and appropriate for curriculum use.

The post holder will work closely with the outdoor education lead to continue to build the whole school vision for outdoor learning across the school.

The post holder will develop links with the wider school community and manage garden volunteers.

#### Main duties and responsibilities:

• Offer support to teachers when they access the identified garden areas by working with the children and share skills, knowledge and expertise related to the role of gardener.



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- Set up and run children's gardening clubs (lunchtime/after-school/holiday time)
- Ensure that all health and safety issues related to identify garden areas are addressed to enable children and staff to use these areas safely.
- Be responsible for purchasing required materials, plants and equipment so the gardens can be cared for, managed and developed effectively.
- Develop the school's food growing and selling capacity.
- Work collaboratively with the Design and Technology Lead to further develop food growing in line with the cooking project.
- Using a Community Development approach to encourage and enable project users to improve their skills for food preparation and growing.
- Work collaboratively with colleagues as part of a professional team, working at all times within the school's policies and procedures.
- To look after the chickens and their living space ensuring they are cared for and can be accessed by the children as part of the outdoor learning project.
- To undertake additional or other duties as may be appropriate to achieve the objectives of the post and as directed and deemed appropriate by the Head Teacher / School Business Manager

#### Selection criteria:

- An ability to lead the School Ground's Project and the ability to communicate its aims effectively.
- An ability to develop a management plan, prioritise workload and meet specified deadlines.
- An ability to work on own initiative.
- Excellent interpersonal skills.
- Relevant qualifications and membership's (desirable).
- Relevant experience of working as a school/organisation gardener.
- To demonstrate organisational skills: for example planning and delivering projects in a community setting.



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- Competent in the use of information technology.
- Possess good judgment, presentation, time management and organisational skills.
- An understanding of the third sector and organisational sustainability and fundraising issues.
- DBS check



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