

St. Michael's C of E Primary School, Steventon

Person Specification: Playworker

| Specification | Essential | Desirable |
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| Education/Training | <p>Level 2 qualification in Playwork or Level 2 early years/childcare qualification or NVQ2 for Teaching Assistant or a commitment to obtain a Level 2 qualification in Playwork</p> <p>Willing to undergo training and gain further qualifications</p> | <p>First aid training</p> <p>Training in safeguarding 'generalist' level</p> <p>Food safety/hygiene qualification at Level 2 or above.</p> |
| Knowledge, Experience and skills | <p>Previous experience of working with children</p> <p>An understanding of how young children play</p> <p>Ability to respond to children's needs, interests and development</p> <p>A commitment to high quality inclusive childcare and play</p> <p>Work constructively as part of a team, understanding roles and responsibilities and your own position within these</p> | <p>Previous experience of working with children in small groups.</p> <p>Understanding of relevant policies/codes of practice and awareness of relevant legislation</p> |
| Child Welfare | <p>Willingness and ability to attend to the physical, personal and emotional needs of young children</p> | <p>Experience of attending to the physical, personal and emotional needs of young children</p> |
| Parents and community | <p>Ability and commitment to build relationships with parents and communicate effectively with them</p> | <p>Ability to contribute to the school's links with the wider community and the local church</p> |

Desirable Personal Qualities

- Enthusiasm and a love of working with younger children
- Creativity, common-sense and a sense of humour
- Ability to work with a range of other people
- Patience and an ability to keep calm in a crisis