

Person Specification

Job Role: Senior Play Ranger

Essential skills and knowledge

- Possess a qualification that is recognised by SSSC at SVQ Level 3 or above (or equivalent) in Early Learning and Childcare or Playwork or relevant transferable experience working in Playwork or Play Development
- Knowledge and understanding of children's play
- Extensive experience of working with children and young people
- Experience of using loose parts, natural, recycled and flexible materials creatively with children and young people
- Willingness and confidence to work outside, in all weathers and seasons
- Experience and knowledge of managing risk in play (including risk-benefit assessment)
- Experience of basic administration and financial record keeping
- Experience and ability to organise, supervise and motivate staff and volunteers
- Ability to build good relationships with children and their families
- Ability to gather evidence of outcomes and benefits using varied approaches, particularly child and young person friendly methods
- Knowledge of and commitment to equal opportunities, anti-discriminatory practices and working within diverse communities
- Awareness of Child Protection guidelines and other relevant legislation
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to be adaptable and work flexibly
- Prepared to undertake relevant training and development as required
- Understand the importance of confidentiality and observe data protection guidelines
- Ability to make written, verbal/visual reports on the project and its outcomes

The preferred candidate will be required to become a PVG Scheme member or undergo a PVG Scheme update if they are already a member.

Desirable

- Full driving licence and access to a vehicle
- First Aid certificate
- Good presentation skills
- Good IT skills
- Child Protection Training
- Familiarity with Scottish Government policies and Education strategies relating to children and well-being, playwork and engagement with parents, staff and community.