

Person Specification: Sessional Play Ranger / Sessional Play Worker

Essential experience, skills and knowledge

- Experience of working with children and young people
- Experience of using loose parts, natural, recycled and flexible materials creatively with children and young people
- Experience and knowledge of managing risk in play (including risk-benefit assessment)
- Ability to build good relationships with children and their families
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Ability to be adaptable and work flexibly
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Knowledge and understanding of children's play
- Knowledge of and commitment to equal opportunities, anti-discriminatory practices and working within diverse communities
- Awareness of Child Protection guidelines and other relevant legislation
- Understanding of the importance of confidentiality and data protection guidelines
- Willingness and confidence to work outside with children, in all weathers and seasons.
- Prepared to undertake relevant training and development as required.

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

- Qualification recognised by SSSC at SVQ Level 3 or above (or equivalent) in Playwork or Early Learning and Childcare or relevant transferable experience in Playwork
- Ability to gather evidence of outcomes and benefits using varied approaches, particularly child and young person friendly methods.
- Full driving licence and access to a vehicle
- First Aid certificate
- Child Protection Training
- Good IT skills
- Experience of basic administration.

Other/additional

- Experience and skills in delivering training and workshops
- Experience and skills in development activities such as planning projects or initiating ideas in response to children's and community needs
- Experience and skills in monitoring and evaluation
- Experience and skills in communications activities.