



## JOB DESCRIPTION

### Outreach Play Worker

<b>Service:</b>	Wansdyke Play Association
<b>Responsible to:</b>	Manager
<b>Pay:</b>	£8-£11 per hour, dependent on experience
<b>Hours:</b>	Minimum of 12 hours over 3 days per week on Weekdays, after school, school holidays and occasionally weekends
<b>Location:</b>	B&NES & Somerset

#### **Purpose of Job**

To facilitate play opportunities working with children, young people and communities and to report on the outcomes of the project. The nature of the work is outreach and will be largely outside all year round and in all weathers or in community buildings.

#### **Principal Duties and Responsibility**

- Facilitate and promote play opportunities, inclusive for all children whatever their abilities.
- To work in schools and community spaces and venues
- To have a presence in the parks and open spaces.
- To consult with children and young people on play opportunities they would like to develop and provide evidence of this process.
- Be an advocate for the children's right to play, to be listened to and to be safe.
- To promote participation of young people.
- To provide structured and open play sessions within the parks and open spaces.
- To enable children and young people to develop and learn new skills
- To work in close partnership with the play team and other organisations where required.
- To attend and contribute to occasional Play Ranger team meetings.
- To plan, carry out and evaluate sessions in partnership with children and young people and provide evidence of this process.

#### **General**

- To wear appropriate clothing and a willingness to wear the agreed Play Ranger uniform.
- Due to the widespread nature of the work a current driving license and access to a vehicle is desirable.
- Applicants will be expected to work regularly after school and occasionally on a weekend.

- It is the nature of the work of WPA that tasks and responsibilities are in many circumstances unpredictable and varied. All staff are, therefore, expected to work in a flexible way when the occasion arises that tasks which are not specifically covered in their job description have to be undertaken. These additional duties will normally be to cover unforeseen circumstances or changes in work and will normally be compatible with the regular type of work. If the additional responsibility or task becomes regular or frequent part of the staff member's job, it will be included in the job description in consultation with the member of staff.

**Notes:**

When you are filling out your application form please show how you fit as many of the essential parts of the person specification as possible. Ideally give examples to demonstrate how you have the acquired or used the required skills. Use extra sheets if the space provided is not big enough.

Wansdyke Play Association is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The post is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

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