

JOB DESCRIPTION:

Job title/post: Forest School Lead

Responsible to: SLT

Specific responsibilities for: Leading the planning and delivery of Forest School lessons at Bower Lodge School.

Purpose of the Job:

Plan, prepare and deliver purposeful and productive activities for children.

Be prepared to innovate and devise imaginatively varied ways of teaching the Forest school experience to children.

Encourage children and show enthusiasm for their subject indoors and outside.

Select and use a range of different resources and teaching styles, appropriate to the Outdoor Learning experience.

Promote positive management of behaviour in the Outdoor environment, establish routines and boundaries to ensure the safety and good behaviour of the children.

To share the school's values and ethos to create a highly personalised curriculum to meet individuals needs in an environment that is nurturing and holistic.

To teach in other appropriate subject areas, such as Independent Living, as needed.

To lead and be responsible for the afterschool provision of the Scout Group (Squirrels)

Key Areas:

- To monitor and support the teaching and learning throughout Forest School.
- Under the direction of the Deputy Headteacher, ensure Forest School is implemented, monitored and reviewed in order to analyse its effectiveness.
- To have a solid understanding of the school pathways and ensuring suitable learning is taking place in all environments.
- Deliver enrichment and enhancement activities.
- To manage support staff effectively, ensuring they embrace the ethos of Outdoor Learning.
- To ensure the health and safety of all participants, including writing and checking risk assessments for the sites, tools and activities used.
- To regularly check and maintain tools and other equipment.

- Liaise with the Deputy Head Teacher and the Senior Leadership team to communicate subject effectiveness and how this impacts the school.
- To model professional standards at all times in line with Professional Standards for Teachers.
- To have relevant qualifications such as Forest School Leadership Level 3 and First Aid or be willing to undertake this training.
- To have experience of running a Scout Group or be willing to undertake the training associated with this.
- Ensure that there are accreditations that pupils have the opportunity to achieve during Forest School activities such as AQA Unit Awards.

Standard responsibilities:

There are a number of standard duties and responsibilities that all employees, irrespective of their role and level of seniority within OFG Group are expected to be familiar with and adhere to;

- Participates in an annual performance review programme.

- Works, at all times, in accordance with the policies and procedures of the OFG Group and statutory regulations applicable to the Group.
- Observes, at all times, strict rules of confidentiality appropriate to the post.
- To comply at all times with the requirements of Health and Safety Regulations to ensure their own wellbeing and that of their colleagues.
- OFG Group is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expect all employees to work in accordance with this.
- Undertakes other duties as assigned by the senior leadership team.