

Grow Cook Learn Volunteer Profile

POST: Volunteer Children's Activity Leader

MAIN LOCATION: Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre

RESPONSIBLE TO: Education Manager

BRIEF DUTIES OF POST

Our education programme is core to our ethos and goes beyond the formal activities aimed at schools. We are looking for someone to work with younger children, helping to run our out of school activities which are both educational and fun. Based in the classroom and the meadows, you will be carrying out a range of different activities, both practical and theory based.

PRINCIPAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Working during the school holidays, delivering our themed activities aimed at children from 3-11
2. Running our monthly "Discovery Club" and "Discovery Tots" activities
3. Helping with our educational themed children's birthday parties
4. Looking after our craft resources by replenishing stock, tidying up and supervising play.

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

1. How to share your special knowledge and passion with a range of children
2. All about the local area- its history, geology, geography and wildlife
3. How our Centre delivers its education programme
4. Volunteering in this post will give you a good grounding for a career in education.

PERSONAL SPECIFICATION:

We would like you to have at least some of these:

- Practical experience of working with younger children.
- Good delivery skills
- A general appreciation of Health and Safety matters
- Good communication skills, together with a friendly, outgoing personality and the ability to establish good relations with our younger visitors
- The ability to work without direct supervision, following set procedures, yet able to show initiative in response to changing circumstances
- An enhanced DBS check. We can supply this if needed.