

Grow Cook Learn Volunteer Profile

POST: Volunteer Educator

MAIN LOCATION: Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre

RESPONSIBLE TO: Education Manager

BRIEF DUTIES OF POST

We pride ourselves on being helpful, friendly, knowledgeable and flexible; enhancing and reinforcing the classroom curriculum. We deliver day-long, led activities based around the National Curriculum, mainly KS1 & 2, which invite children to have fun and learn through active participation, enquiry and first-hand observation. As a volunteer educator, you will delight in sharing your experience, knowledge and passion to help develop enquiring young minds.

Sessions last for 1 to 4 hours plus preparation and clean up. Full training will be given in the different subject areas covered.

PRINCIPAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Delivery of formal educational activities to visiting school children.
2. Helping to prepare for and tidy down after the above.

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 role will give you a grounding for a career in education.

PERSONAL SPECIFICATION:

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

- Practical experience of working with KS1 and 2 children.
- Good delivery skills
- A general appreciation of Health and Safety matters
- An up to date knowledge of the National Curriculum
- Good communication skills, together with a friendly, outgoing personality and the ability to establish good relations with visiting schools
- Able 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.