

**Lunchtime Play Leader**

**Job description**

**Key Role:**

The Play Leader at Walderslade Primary school is a vital position responsible for leading play activities across all phases during lunchtime. The main purpose of the role is to engage with pupils, ensure their safety, provide basic medical attention when necessary, use initiative to enhance and develop children's play experiences, maintain an enthusiastic and positive environment, enjoy working with children, and support activities in the lunch hall.

**Key Responsibilities and Duties**

**Play Leadership**

* Lead on play activities across all phases during lunchtime
* Engage with pupils to create a positive and inclusive play environment
* Use initiative to develop and enhance children's play experiences
* Support activities in the lunch hall during lunchtime

**Child Safeguarding**

* Safeguard the children by maintaining a safe and secure play environment
* Provide basic medical attention when required and ensure appropriate protocols are followed
* Monitor and ensure the well-being of all children during play activities

**Communication and Collaboration**

* Work collaboratively with school staff to promote a positive play environment
* Communicate effectively with pupils to understand their needs and preferences during playtime

**Skills and Competencies**

* Strong communication skills to engage effectively with pupils and colleagues
* Ability to use initiative and creativity to enhance play experiences for children
* Basic knowledge of first aid and the ability to provide basic medical attention
* Enthusiastic and positive attitude towards working with children
* Ability to maintain a safe and secure play environment for children
* Enjoyment in working with children and fostering a fun and inclusive play atmosphere
* Adaptability and flexibility to respond to changing play dynamics and situations

**Professional Development**

Walderslade Primary encourages continuous professional development for all staff members, including Play Leaders. Opportunities for growth within the role may include attending relevant training sessions on play strategies, child safeguarding, first aid, and communication skills. Continuous learning and development are integral to ensuring the Play Leader remains effective and supportive in their role at the school.

By tailoring the job description to the specific context of our school and incorporating the provided duties, skills, and competencies, the Play Leader will play a crucial role in enhancing the play experiences and ensuring the safety and well-being of all children during lunchtime activities.

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