**Reception practitioner**

A fantastic opportunity has arisen for a dedicated and enthusiastic Reception practitioner to join our Early Years Team. At Tonge Moor Primary Academy, we believe that young children learn when they are stimulated through an exciting, challenging and interest led environment. With this in mind, we are looking for an inspiring, creative and caring person who has the passion and dedication to help us make even further improvements to our Early Years unit.

**Responsibilities will include, but will not be limited to, the following:**

* Creating a safe, stimulating and caring environment that promotes learning through play.
* Delivering the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum, by stimulating children’s imagination through creative ideas linked to their interests.
* Planning the effective delivery of daily routines to provide the best possible experiences for our children.
* Building relationships, working cooperatively and sharing information with Parents/Carers to earn their respect and trust.
* Developing innovative ways to support learning at home.
* Working alongside the Early Years team to ensure that our philosophy is consistent.
* Providing opportunities that inspire investigation both indoors and outdoors to accommodate different styles of learning.
* Supporting staff members, assistants, students and volunteers and sharing a vision for the setting.
* Liaising with the SENCO and Safeguarding team to identify specific needs of the children in the setting and communicate with relevant agencies.
* Organising and arranging yearly admissions to develop an inspiring transition package.
* Using key data to support children in order to reach a good level of development and ensure that progress is made.
* Evaluating practice and data in order to contribute to the Early Years Action Plan.

**Skills**

For the role you will need to show:

* Excellent communication and listening skills
* In depth knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum
* A knowledge of a cross curricular approach to learning
* That you are an inspiring team member who is always striving to improve.
* Willingness to think outside of the box, taking inspiration from a variety of sources to drive practice ever forward
* Have the confidence and flexibility to change direction at a moment’s notice
* A sense of humour and a willingness to engage in co-play at child level
* Organisational skills to plan for the needs of individual children and their next steps for learning
* That you are an inspiring, fun, approachable, caring person with a willingness to support colleagues, children and their families
* The school is committed to safer recruitment practice and pre-employment checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed. This is subject to an enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and it expects staff and volunteers to share this commitment.
* **Safeguarding Statement:**Tonge Moor Primary Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We particularly welcome applications from under represented groups including ethnicity, gender, transgender, age, disability, sexual orientation or religion.