Job description

**We’re looking for friendly, experienced & enthusiastic Youth & Play Workers to join our team this Summer!**

Join us and help provide exciting play and leisure opportunities for children and young people across Stroud & Cotswolds districts. We’re looking for energetic and enthusiastic individuals who are dedicated to delivering inclusive fun for young people! If you enjoy working in a busy, social environment this role could be perfect for you!

**Youth & Play Leader rate**: £15 per hour

**Youth & Play leader Asst. £9 - £12** per hour

***Hours are part time and will vary but currently we have up to 15 hours per week available, with a possibility to be increased.***

All successful applicants will be required to complete an Enhanced DBS Disclosure. For more information and application form email ben@worldjungle.org.uk  or call us on 07889512644

What is the overall purpose of the role?

**Summer Youth & Play Assistant and Youth & Play Leader**

Supporting with the running of **World Jungle’s Summer off the Streets** programmes which are made up of summer holiday activities for children & young people in rural communities across the Cotswolds & Stroud Districts.

You will be involved in helping to deliver activities which are fun, encourage play and enjoyment and support the positive development of children and young people. It will involve organising games, facilitating activities and developing conversations with children and young people.

You will support the delivery of drop-in sessions and closed sessions for example organising games, supporting sports & arts activities and developing ideas for other positive activities and conversations.

Establishing a positive play environment and ensuring all young people are taking part and support to make the sessions inclusive as possible.

* Encouraging children & young people to get involved, help design the activities and express their feelings and thoughts on other issues going on in their life
* Helping ensure that all evidence of projects are properly documented, and that work is evaluated and reported in accordance with contractual commitments

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* Keeping registers, writing evaluation reports and inputting data into our management information system
* Taking part in outreach activities, both with world Jungle team and in partnership with other services
* Developing and building strong community relationships
* Ensuring child protection procedures are followed and that the safeguarding of young people is paramount
* Act as a role model for young people, inspiring them to engage in the services and understand and appreciate the role of youth work as a career opportunity
* Any other duties as would be expected of a youth & play assistant

**Person Specification for Youth and Play Assistant**

You are

* Friendly, cheerful, positive, enthusiastic, able to work as part of a team and passionate about children and young people and providing positive experiences for them especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds

**Education, qualifications or experience**

Desirable

* Level 2 JNC or relevant youth work experience and/or childcare qualification minimum NVQ3 or relevant experience
* Understanding of play work principles
* Experience of working with children and/or young people (ideally in in a rural environment)
* Experience of youth-led co-creation within young people’s services

Essential

* Driving license as the work will be in rural locations in the Cotswolds and Stroud District
* Desire to work with children / young people
* Experience of or some skills in Play and / or Sports and / or Craft activities

**Knowledge, skills and abilities**

* Excellent communication skills, with the ability to quickly establish positive relationships with children and young people
* Understanding and appreciation of the importance of monitoring and evaluation in a youth & play work setting
* Interested in physical activity sports or creative activities
* Ability to support all children and young people to take part and be included

**Person Specification for Youth and Play Leader**

You are

* Friendly, cheerful, positive, enthusiastic, able to work as part of a team and passionate about children and young people and providing positive experiences for them especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds

**Education, qualifications or experience**

Essential

* Level 2 JNC or relevant youth work experience and/or childcare qualification minimum NVQ3 or relevant experience
* Understanding of Play work principles
* Experience of working with children and/or young people (ideally in in a rural environment)
* Experience of youth-led co-creation within young people’s services
* Driving license as the work will be in rural locations in the Cotswolds and Stroud District

**Knowledge, skills and abilities**

* Excellent communication skills, with the ability to quickly establish positive relationships with children and young people
* Able to run a play or youth work session on own initiative and support team assistants
* Understanding and appreciation of the importance of monitoring and evaluation in a youth & play work setting
* Interested in physical activity sports or creative activities
* Ability to support all children and young people to take part and be included