



## Barna After-School

### Job Description

Barna National School,  
Pallasgreen,  
Co. Limerick

### After-School Childcare Practitioner

**Job Title:** After-School Childcare Practitioner  
**Location:** Barna After-School at Barna National School, Pallasgreen, Co. Limerick  
**Responsible To:** The Afterschool Manager  
**Responsible For:** Children, Students and Volunteers.

**Job Purpose:** The After-School Practitioner will work as a member of the team, showing initiative and creativity to foster an environment, which encourages the holistic development of each child. The Practitioner will support the day-to-day operations of the Service and the provision of a quality service to children and parents. The main priority of this position is to be actively involved as a pedagogue, planning and facilitating the After-School Programme.

#### Key Responsibilities:

- To assist in the day-to-day running of the Service, providing a stimulating and varied programme of play, while ensuring the well-being of all children in accordance with the principles of Siolta, Aistear and the Child Care Act 1991 (Early Years Services) Regulations 2016.
- Supervise homework activities
- Show enthusiasm and contribute personal skills and experiences to ensure a high quality pedagogical programme
- To work in harmony as part of a team, showing proactivity, co-operation and flexibility
- Attend staff meetings and undergo training as required
- Endorse the ethos, policies and procedures of Project Afterschool in pedagogical activities as well as in all interactions with the children, team members, parents, the school and the community
- To be familiar with and conduct all emergency and security procedures in line with the Child Care (Pre-school Services) (No. 2) Regulations 2006, the Fire Safety Act 1997
- To attend and assist with the organisation of parent meetings, fund-raising and promotional events

- Maintain the room and equipment to ensure the health and safety of children at all times
- Ensure a good standard of hygiene
- Be aware of child protection procedures and advise manager in case of any concerns about a child
- To keep confidential all personal information regarding the children and their families, the staff and the Service.
- Perform other reasonable and relevant duties as may be assigned from time to time

### **Person Specifications Salary**

- A recognised level 5/6 Qualification in Childcare or other relevant field. A minimum of 2 years experience in an after-school or childcare role desirable.
- A passion for working with children
- Excellent interpersonal and communication Skills with children, staff and parents
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Knowledge of relevant policies and regulations
- An area of expertise such as drama, music, sports coaching, cooking etc. to contribute to the afterschool programme
- Garda Vetting

The work of Barna After-School is by its nature, flexible and likely to change. Therefore this Job Description will be reviewed regularly and may be amended in line with the needs / demands of the work.