

# Position Description

## SUPPORT STAFF MEMBER

**AGREEMENT:** Fixed term, part-time during Kindergarten term only (unless otherwise

requested)

**RESPONSIBLE TO:** Service Leader / Professional Practice Leader / Support Office and

General Manager

**RESPONSIBLE FOR:** Supporting the teaching team (and administrator from time to time)

POSITION PURPOSE: To provide effective, efficient support to the teaching staff to enable the

highest quality early childhood education for young children attending

the kindergarten.

#### **KEY FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS:**

Service Leader Professional Practice Leaders
Teachers Association Support Office Staff
Kindergarten Children Parents/Caregivers/Whānau

Administrator Visitors/Contractors / Prospective Clients

Key Result Areas	Indicators
Primary Support Task	Care of children, including those children with additional needs.
Support Tasks	<ul> <li>Resource preparation and maintenance (as directed)</li> <li>Support with excursions - including bush kindergarten</li> <li>Support with Morning Tea and Lunch supervision (ensuring that all children are supervised while eating)</li> <li>When required, assist with setting up portfolios/nametags</li> <li>Feedback to teachers on child observations</li> <li>When needed, support the administrators ordering stock and putting away. Learning the child management system.</li> <li>Other support tasks as required</li> </ul>
Team work	<ul> <li>Working with the team towards a common goal</li> <li>Tasks are completed in a timely manner, specific to requirements and to an agreed standard</li> <li>Shows initiative appropriately</li> <li>Follows agreed practices at the kindergarten</li> <li>Proactive and forward thinking</li> </ul>

Communication/liaison	<ul> <li>Communication is consistently open and honest</li> <li>Interactions with children are respectful and afford each child dignity</li> <li>All interactions are respectful, courteous and professional</li> <li>Conflict is handled appropriately</li> <li>Assistance/advice sought promptly when issues arise</li> <li>Confidentiality maintained</li> <li>Speak positively when describing the service the kindergarten offers</li> </ul>

#### **IDEAL PERSON SPECIFICATIONS:**

### **Suitable Experience:**

- ➤ Teacher Aide/Support in an ECE Setting
- ➤ Medium level administration
- Customer service

### You will need to have:

- ➤ Confident, clear communication skills
- ➤ Intermediate computer skills
- ➤ A commitment to the principles of te Tiriti o Waitangi
- ➤ A willingness to work in a multi-cultural environment
- ➤ Enthusiastic, proactive approach to customer service
- ➤ Ability to work in a team
- ➤ Ability to assist in the setup of resources e.g. posters, library displays
- ➤ Honesty and integrity
- > Good standard of physical fitness as some lifting may be required
- ➤ Flexible attitude to work practice
- ➤ Ability to work with minimum supervision
- Excellent time management skills