



Nursery Nurse

Location: Little Explorers Nursery, Milton Keynes

Hours: 37.5

Salary: Up to £19,000 per annum

Apprenticeships: Development opportunities are available through Apprenticeship standards

Reporting To: Nursery Manager

IN SHORT

The Little Explorers Nursery based onsite at Milton Keynes College are looking for a Nursery Nurse to join the fun and energetic team.

As a Nursery nurse you should have bundles of enthusiasm, creativity and be committed to providing the best possible care for children in the nursery. This is an exciting opportunity for you to join the friendly and welcoming team in the Little Explorers Nursery. This is an ideal position for a dedicated nursery nurse with an understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

As a nursery nurse within the Early Years setting, you will help to create a stimulating and attractive environment that encourages the children's all round development and where the highest standards of care are provided. Your excitement and passion to work as a nursery nurse within a vibrant childcare setting will contribute to providing a fun atmosphere where children are learning through play.

This is the perfect place to develop your career in Childcare!

MK College will treat all applicants fairly and with respect, irrespective of their background, disability or any other individual characteristic. We particularly encourage applications from people with backgrounds which are currently under-represented within Milton Keynes College. All offers made to successful candidates are subject to satisfactory outcomes to a range of pre-employment checks including a Disclosure and Barring Service check (DBS). In addition, security clearance is required for all prison services positions up to Counter Terrorist Check (CTC) level.

OUR BENEFITS

- 25 days annual leave, 3 additional days leave for Christmas to New Year closure and UK Bank Holidays (entitlement will be pro-rated for part-time employees)
- Generous Pension Scheme
- Professional development opportunities, including professional qualifications
- Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) accessible 24 hours per day, 365 days per year
- A variety of amazing discounts with NUS Card
- Employee wellbeing platform with options to book free activities

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

In this role, you will:

- Be a reliable member of a team, working co-operatively and with flexibility.
- Observe key children's progress and report on achievements,
- Develop excellent communication and positive relationships with parents
- Supervise children at play (indoor and outdoor) and at mealtimes.
- Assist with the creation of a stimulating and attractive classroom environment.
- Attend parent meetings, be involved in fundraising events and assist with the promotion of the nursery, as required.
- Assist with the care, maintenance and security of all equipment and toys within the Nursery.
- Attend staff meetings and training sessions as required.
- Participate in all self-development activities, including appraisals, etc.
- Develop positive relationships with other staff working within the Nursery.
- Ensure that you are aware of and aligned with Milton Keynes College's Regulations, Strategy, and Objectives to work together to proactively advance Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and support the challenging of racism, prejudice and inequality, wherever it is found.
- Carry out duties at all times in accordance with the College's equal opportunities, health and safety and risk management policies and procedures.

This job description is just a guide; you'll be expected to be flexible and perform any other duties as reasonably required of you by your manager and your role is likely to evolve and develop over time. In all your duties, you will be required to take reasonable care of yourself and ensure the safety of our students, your colleagues and other people with whom you come into contact at the College.

IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU

KNOWLEDGE, EXPERTISE & QUALIFICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good basic education including GCSE level C in English and be willing to work towards Level 2 in childcare• Good “Skills for Life” (literacy, numeracy and language) and be willing to develop these further
IMPACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have an affinity with young children• Work as a reliable member of the team, developing positive relationships with colleagues, parents, children and outside agencies
QUALITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Possess a good working knowledge of Health & Safety issues• Prepared to undertake professional development, as appropriate
RESPONSIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Knowledge and understanding of Equal Opportunities
RELATIONSHIPS & REPUTATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines• Enthusiastic and self-aware• Team focussed
VISION & DIRECTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Help to create a stimulating and attractive environment that encourages the children’s all round development• Help to provide highest standards of care and education

ABOUT US – Little Explorers Nursery

Our goal is to deliver professional, high-quality childcare that is accessible and affordable. Our purpose-built nursery has been designed around the key seven Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) areas of learning.

We believe that a child's first and most important relationship is with their parent or primary carer. Our staff provide a friendly and caring environment. Each child is supported by their key person helping them feel safe and cared for. The 'key person' will work in partnership with parents and carers, from settling children into nursery to preparing them for their next steps in life.

We offer four specialist rooms, designated outside play areas and a caring and stimulating environment in which children flourish and grow at their own pace.

Babies
Toddlers
Two-Three
Pre School (Three-five)

The Little Explorers Nursery is a certified Forest School. This means that we focus on developing personal, social and emotional life skills through learner led, nature-based learning. We put an emphasis on little ones learning about and having fun in nature. We have dedicated outside spaces for children to play and learn in, with specific areas to learn about safety, how plants grow, hygiene and playing outside.

Our dedicated Forest School leaders build relationships with the children based around trust and self-exploration to develop. Children are naturally inquisitive and curious about their surroundings, and we make sure that children can explore new things in an entirely safe environment. Specially-led sessions offer children the opportunity to take risks in a supportive and controlled environment, meaning that they can learn about consequences and trial and error without coming to any harm.

To learn more about Little Explorers Nursery, visit the website via the link - <https://littleexplorersnurserymk.co.uk/>

As an employee of Milton Keynes College, We are a committed safer recruitment employer in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE). We take extreme care in ensuring the safety and welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. **All offers made to successful candidates are subject to satisfactory outcomes from a range of pre-employment checks including a Disclosure and Barring Service check (DBS). In addition, security clearance is required for all prison services positions up to Counter Terrorist Check (CTC) level.**