**Newcastle Nursery Schools Federation**

Job Title: Casual Support Assistants (L2/N3)

We have three posts available based in Ashfield Nursery School in Elswick , Newburn Manor Nursery School in Newburn and Monkchester Road Nursery School in Walker. Successful candidates will have a contract for our Federation of Schools.

The post based at Newburn Manor Nursery School is part time hours some of which will be working in our Playgroup provision (2-3 year olds) and some with children who have additional needs. The post is likely to be at least 16 hours 8.30-1pm across the week and may extend to more. Ideally the person will be able to be flexible with their hours.

The post is based in Ashfield Nursery School and will be to support children with additional needs on Monday and Tuesday 8.30- 3.30.

The post for Monkchester Road will be based in the school 8.45-4pm Monday to Friday. You may be working across the school including playgroup and main nursery with children aged 2-4.

Status: Casual

Grade: N3

Salary – £12.65 per hour

The governors of Newcastle Nursery Schools’ Federation invite applications for casual Support Assistants N3 grade. The post requires a minimum Level 2 qualification in child care/education support.

The successful candidates will have experience of working with children aged 2 to 4 years in a school or private nursery setting. They will be caring and attentive to children’s individual needs and must have the skills and appropriate temperament to work as part of a strong and committed team, ensuring high expectations for all of our children.

Under the support of a class leader/teacher, successful candidates will take on a key worker role for a small group of children or will work with children with additional needs on a timetable. They will need to create safe and enabling environments that are fun and stimulating for all children, inside and outdoors.

Applicants require a thorough knowledge of the Early Years Foundation stage and how to apply this creatively, with enthusiasm so that every child meets their full potential. They will need to apply their skills, commitment and initiative to improve children’s learning in all areas of the Early Year’s curriculum.

Candidates will benefit from having worked with external agencies to support children with special educational needs and/or challenging behaviour. They will use a wide range of strategies skilfully and use a variety of classroom organisation techniques within a team teaching situation to provide exciting learning activities matched to the children’s next steps in their learning journey.

Candidates must be willing and able to work outdoors for much of their time, in all weathers.

We work closely with parents and the wider community so candidates will need suitable knowledge, skills and experience of working with families to support children’s learning and development.

Our Federation is fully committed to safeguarding children and applicants are required to complete several pre-employment checks and other activities that ensure they are safe and suitable to work with our young children. Our safer recruitment procedures include (but are not limited to) DBS checks and the taking up of two references before the interview process commences. One reference must be from the candidate’s current employer.

Closing Date- 16th May

Shortlisting – After closing date

Interviews week beginning 19th May