

Chelwood Nursery School

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Dear Applicant,

Re: Early Years Educator/Nursery Nurse - Level 3

Chelwood is seeking to recruit and support a talented **Early Years Educator / Nursery Nurse** with Level 3 CWDC or equivalent qualification, to join our 'Outstanding' multi-cultural inner city school, as nursery class teacher. Our staff are committed to providing high quality play based, inclusive learning experiences for all children.

Chelwood is a designated National Teaching School, working in a strategic alliance with works closely with 5 other nursery schools in the South Thames Early Education Partnership. Collectively we are committed to developing and sharing good practice in the early years or education; training qualified teachers and providing high quality professional development and support across the early years sector.

The successful applicant will join a team of early years practitioners, led by a class teacher, in the provision of a stimulating and personalised learning environment inside and outside. You will need to be able to put the needs of the children first, be well organised, and enjoy a busy and varied working week.

This post requires excellent interpersonal skills. Effective communication skills, flexible working, and a strong understanding of teamwork is essential. You will need to be a team player, committed to working closely with young children and their families in a welcoming and inclusive environment.

Chelwood Nursery School is an equal opportunities employer. We welcome applications from all members of the community, regardless of gender, age, marital status, disability, ethnicity, religion, belief or sexual orientation.

Our school and local community is culturally diverse and we aim to ensure the school reflects and celebrates this diversity to ensure a welcoming, and inclusive environment within which children and families can flourish. We have strong community links and work closely with organisations within our locality.

If you feel inspired by the prospect of joining our school team we look forward to receiving your application. The application information is available on the school website at:

www.chelwood.lewisham.sch.uk

The application information available includes:

- a copy of the advert
- a job description and person specification
- a Lewisham support staff application form

- Information about Lewisham as a Local Authority to work in:
<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/mayorandcouncil/counciljobs/in-schools/Pages/Schools-and-teaching.aspx>

- Lewisham Council's Equal Opportunities Policy Statement:
<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/mayorandcouncil/aboutthecouncil/equality-and-diversity/Pages/Comprehensive-Equality-Scheme.aspx>

- Council policy on the recruitment of ex-offenders is published here:
<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/mayorandcouncil/counciljobs/applying/Pages/Recruiting-ex-offenders.aspx>

- School child protection procedures are on the school website here:
<http://www.chelwood.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Child-Protection-and-Safeguarding-policy.pdf>

- Chelwood's most recent Ofsted report is available here:
http://www.chelwood.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/100668__5.pdf

- Guidance on applying for jobs with Lewisham Council including schools:
<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/mayorandcouncil/counciljobs/applying/Pages/How-to-apply.aspx>

When applying for this post please read the application advice provided on the Lewisham Council website (weblink above).

- **CVs not accepted**
- **Applicants must complete the Lewisham application form when applying for this post.**
- **Late or incomplete application forms will not be considered.**
- **Please ensure you address all the aspects of the person specification giving examples of how you meet the criteria.**

The advert contains all the key recruitment dates for this post, including the closing date, shortlisting arrangements and date planned for interviews.

Completed application forms **must be returned to the school by the deadline.**

Safeguarding

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

We operate stringent Safer Recruitment procedures in our Recruitment and Selection of staff and volunteers.

The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

Yours sincerely,



Nikki Oldhams
Headteacher