



FOR RUDOLF STEINER EDUCATION LTD.

KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM – GARDEN COORDINATOR 2018

JOB DESCRIPTION

Permanent Part Time Position

Role of the Garden Coordinator

The Garden Coordinator is responsible for collaborative planning with the Kitchen Coordinator to implement the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program in the school.

The job is 3 hours 1 day per week: 2 hours will be working with children and 1 hour for preparation.

The salary is School Assistant Level 4 the Independent Schools NSW (Support and Operational Staff) Multi Enterprise Agreement 2017.

In relation to working with children, you will be expected to:

1. Implement the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program which involves managing and maintaining a productive food garden and providing positive garden-based learning experiences for children;
2. Work collaboratively with the Kitchen Coordinator to program and plan for garden to plate experiences for children;
3. Work independently with half classes of 8-10 year olds working in small groups;
4. Liaise with class teachers about children's needs;
5. Work under the guidance of the class teachers to create a supportive learning environment;
6. Work with children who may have special needs and learning differences;
7. Communicate with volunteers to support small groups in garden based learning experiences.

In relation to working in the school, you will be expected to:

- Attend meetings of the College of Teachers when required.
- Be available for playground and other duties.
- Attend and participate in relevant Curriculum/Staff Development days and in-service or training courses;
- Participate in the school's mentoring and evaluation program.
- Be available to attend relevant meetings and workshops outside school hours.

The Kitchen Garden – Garden Coordinator will need to liaise with:

- The Kitchen Coordinator
- Class Teachers
- Class Assistants
- Community Volunteers
- Admin staff

SELECTION CRITERIA

When applying please address all points of the Selection Criteria

- Relevant experience and/or qualifications in maintaining a productive food garden as an effective learning environment and a sound knowledge of, and passion for, food gardening.
- Understanding and implementation of safe work practices in the garden and maintaining facilities.
- Enthusiasm for teaching and supporting children to develop gardening skills and a love of gardening.
- Commitment to working with children with specific learning needs
- Ability to work in a team, including communicating effectively with children, volunteers and colleagues.
- Strong organisational skills.
- An understanding of the principles of Rudolf Steiner Education or a willingness to develop this.