

EVERYONE OUT NATURE SCHOOL

Kaiako Description

Be part of an exciting one day a week nature school at Crofton Downs and Island Bay, Wellington. Everyone Out is a not for profit social enterprise founded to get more kiwi kids outside in nature. For more information about us and our programmes please visit <https://www.everyoneout.co.nz>

Do you love the outdoors, nature, tamariki and sharing knowledge and skills?

Are you energetic, positive and patient; an out of the box thinker, with a good old Kiwi Number 8 wire mentality, knowledge of and respect for Te Ao Māori?

Can you make something from nothing? Whip up a shelter at a moment's notice? And do you know your bowline from your bow drill? If this sounds like you then you sound like just who we're looking for!

Everyone Out is on the hunt for someone who is ready to put on their wet weather gear and gumboots to support our tamariki (5 - 12 years) as they learn through play. You will need to be able to problem solve and wonder alongside ngā tamariki, will be great at observing learning in real world situations, and have the ability to support and extend the activities of ngā tamariki. You will have a sound knowledge of the primary curriculum Core Competencies and child development. You will understand the benefits and importance of healthy risk in play, and be able to think on your feet.

Skill set

As a kaiako at Everyone Out you will have:

- Experience working with tamariki, ideally in an outdoor setting
- A qualification in education/teaching or relevant field is desirable but not essential
- A passion for the environment and knowledge of NZ bush and its inhabitants
- The ability to engage with tamariki and ensure their safety
- Excellent communication skills, and be able to work effectively in a team - developing and sustaining positive working relationships with colleagues and the programme manager, as well as with whānau of ngā tamariki
- Have a commitment to the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi, understand tikanga maori and have basic knowledge of te reo
- Current Comprehensive First Aid Certificate or be willing to get one

Role

- Two days, approximately 7 hours long throughout our 8 week terms:
 - Thursday (8.45am - 3.45pm) Crofton Downs
 - Friday (8.30am-3.30pm) Island Bay
- There will be up to 4 hours additional work/term allowed for meetings.
- Starting from Term 2, 1 May 2023. \$31 - \$36 / hr (plus 8% holiday pay, plus kiwisaver)

Responsibilities

- To follow Everyone Out policies and procedures, ensuring the safety and well being of both kaiako and tamariki

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- To observe, facilitate, and extend play and learning during the programme, including supporting the social competence of ngā tamariki
- Model active play and positive participation

Duties

- Arrive on time to set up for each session; and remain on site until all ngā tamariki are gone, and resources packed away or re-stocked if need be- leaving the venue clean and tidy, ready for the next session
- Facilitate tamariki in following their own interests and goals by offering them our resources, equipment and support
- Support tamariki to develop their socio-emotional skills
- Work as a team to devise and implement individual plans of support for those tamariki and/or situations that need it
- Participate in short pre/post-session meetings and debriefs with other team members, when required
- Plan resources and provocations to inspire tamariki as led by their current interests
- Ensure all pick up, drop off, medical and other policies and procedures are implemented
- Communicate any important information to the programme manager.
- Attend one full-team meeting per term outside of session hours- at a time and date as determined through team discussion

The successful applicant will be required to undergo police vetting. Our organisation takes child safety and child protection responsibilities seriously, and staff recruitment is carried out in accordance with the requirement of the Vulnerable Children Act (2014).

Applicants for this position should have NZ residency or a valid NZ work visa.

If you think you are ready to don your gumboots and join us at Nature School please email your application to rachel@everyoneout.co.nz and include your CV which must include at least two referees and a cover letter (or video) detailing why you would be perfect for this role.