GROUP LEADERS/ TEACHERS



Main responsibility and position within Smartkids:

The group leader is, under the supervision of the Location Manager (LM), responsible for the daily care, guidance and development of a group of children. She/He acts according to the vision and policies of International Child Care Centre Smartkids and acts as a part of a team of group leaders.

Duties towards the children:

The group leader:

- will guide and take care of the children as individuals and as a group.
- is responsible for the atmosphere, where children feel accepted and safe.
- quides and stimulates the children in all aspects of their development.
- creates an environment in which children are stimulated to play and explore and creates special and enticing play activities (age related).
- takes care of saying hello and goodbye. (Not the assistant).
- is aware of the developmental stages of the children, observes children and reports about their well-being to the LM and informs the parent about the child's development.
- takes care of the daily hygiene of children.

Duties towards parents:

The group leader:

- is the main person in contacting and initiating communication with parents of her group and informs the parents about the development of the child, rules, etc.
- can advise parents in all developmental questions.
- will inform the LM if and when there are developmental issues with a child; from there it will be decided how this will be handled/addressed.
- stimulates parents to visit the group every now and then.
- creates a good contact with and shows a respectful attitude towards parents.

Duties towards organization:

The group leader:

- contributes towards policies and vision through meetings and workgroup sessions.
- helps in organizing parent-meetings.
- is responsible for furniture and toys within the classroom and surrounding; discusses requests/repairs with the LM.
- is responsible for administration related to children and planning (contact addresses, planning, register, reports).
- is expected to act as good role model to children, parents, assistants and others.

Cleaning duties:

The group leader:

- takes care of good hygiene in the group, toilets and other areas. She/he informs the LM about problems or broken items.
- performs small cleaning duties in the group (cleaning toys, small repairs of toys).

Duties in relation to the LM:

The group leader:

- informs the LM about her group and assistants.
- informs the LM about wishes, questions, and complaints from parents.
- participates in meetings about children, parents and works closely together with colleagues.

Duties in relation to colleagues and assistants: The group leader:

- is responsible for good teamwork; she/he gives feedback and stimulates colleagues. She/He is friendly and respectful towards colleagues. She/He shows insight in own functioning and is flexible and she/he is focused on finding positive solutions.
- guides and instructs assistants in their work and attitude in the group and informs LM about progress/ problems.

Requirements / Qualifications

- Foreign pedagogic degree preferably in early childhood education
- Experienced in working with a group of young children for at least 2 years
- Fluent in English