

Wyre Forest School

A day in the life of a Teaching Assistant.

The school day starts with a quick discussion of the days requirements and any resources needed for the day are prepared. I get to work no later than 8.30 ready to start at 8.35. I like to get in around 8 to help set up the classroom, read the planning for the day and set up any adult led tasks I would be leading that day.

Staff will collect children from transport and parents/careers

Staff will ensure the children's hands are washed on entry.

Staff will encourage children to sit for 'hello' and morning activities.

Staff will engage with the children/1-1 child to complete tasks set for the lesson, task/ activity may vary due to child's needs and targets.

Children will sit for toast and staff will support children with communication aids.

Morning break- staff to encourage independence putting on/ taking off coats and encouraging play and good behaviour on the playground.

Staff will toilet the children levels of support will vary from being independent to changing pads and pull ups.

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Staff will support children at lunch time and will rotate staff lunch times to ensure adequate staff are available to oversee the class at all times.

Staff will support children in their groups of afternoon activities: mark making and phonics.

Staff will engage with the children/1-1 child to complete tasks set for the lesson, task/activity may vary due to child's needs and targets.

Staff will toilet the children.

Staff to support children at snack time with communication needs.

Staff will support and encourage children to sit and say 'goodbye' prayer and verse.

Staff will pack bags, ensure children are equipped with what they came with, then take them to either parents/ careers or transport.

Staff will return to class and tidy the room/s and discuss any issues raised that day.

This is a brief overview of a typical day, but rest assured no two days are the same! Although it sounds quite clinical it really isn't, sometimes things don't go to plan, sometimes you have to think on your feet, but there is always lots of smiles and a little sprinkle of fun!

Michelle (TA)

The role depends on age and cognitive ability.