



Recruitment and Selection

Allsorts follow all legal requirements relating to Safer Recruitment set out in the Statutory Framework for the EYFS. We also follow all requirements relating to DBS checks for members of new and existing staff.

We ensure our recruitment process allows equal opportunity, does not discriminate, and encourages a wide range of candidates to apply.

Process

When a vacancy is identified as needing to be filled, Allsorts will usually advertise the position on Indeed and on Allsorts' Facebook pages. The advert will contain the job description and person specification for the role. We will ask applicants to apply for the job by sending in a CV. Once the closing date has passed, the CVs will be reviewed and shortlisted against the person specification for the job.

All applicants that meet the essential criteria for the post will be invited for an interview. Part of the interview sometimes includes a play session, depending on the role. There will be at least two people on the interview panel (managers and/or the committee) and all Safer Recruitment practices will be adhered to.

All candidates will be interviewed using the same questions (relevant to the position they are applying for), and will be scored. The interview panel will then select the candidate most suitable for the job, based on their interview scores.

A verbal job offer will be made to the successful candidate and this will be followed by a letter of confirmation. The letter will set out hours, pay and start date. The position will be offered subject to satisfactory references and DBS clearance.

Allsorts will instigate the DBS check and will take up references (1 previous/current employer reference and at least 1 character reference is normal).

Allsorts have an in depth induction procedure and the candidate will ideally have had their DBS check completed before they start working. If this has not come back in time, then a risk assessment will be carried out, and the candidate will not be left alone with children. A verbal discussion on safeguarding will also be given at this time and all new members of staff are asked to complete a written piece of work on their responsibilities and understanding on safeguarding the children in our care.

New members of staff will be provided with uniform and will be given copies of the staff handbook and all relevant policies and procedures. New members of staff will also need their details to be added to Famly, to the staff emails and a new starter form sent to payroll, plus bank details to be set up. If no p45 is given by the new staff member then a p46 should be completed to ensure correct taxation.

At any point within the 3-month probationary period if references and checks are not completed to Allsorts satisfaction then the staff member will have their employment terminated.

After starting, the staff member will automatically start Allsorts' supervision procedure and observation by senior staff on a regular basis to ensure standards are being met as expected by all staff.

All staff will be closely monitored, observed and supervised throughout the employment with Allsorts. Regular supervision times, appraisals, training, staff meetings etc will ensure a high standard is maintained.

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