

Montessori Elementary Teaching Assistant (Edinburgh, Scotland)

We are seeking a passionate Montessori Elementary Teaching Assistant to support a class of 6–12-year-olds in our small Montessori School in leafy Murrayfield, Edinburgh from August 2024. This is an exciting opportunity for the right candidate to build upon the success of our recent Inspection. [Details | Find an inspection report | Find an inspection report | Inspection and review | Education Scotland](#).

The Teaching Assistant will be responsible for supporting the lead teacher and ensuring that the needs of children in this plane of development are met. Montessori training is preferred and experience of working in a similar role is desirable. Strong communication skills and a professional approach are required.

Job Description

As a Montessori Elementary Teaching Assistant, you will work closely with the lead teacher to support the implementation of the Montessori philosophy and curriculum in the classroom. You will assist in creating a nurturing and stimulating environment where students can develop academically, socially, and emotionally.

Responsibilities:

- Support the lead teacher in delivering Montessori lessons and activities to children aged 6-12.
- Assist pupils individually or in small groups, providing guidance and support as they engage with Montessori materials and learning experiences.
- Assisting the lead teacher with classroom management, intervening as needed to prevent disruption to Montessori lessons.
- Assist the lead teacher with preparation of learning materials.
- Foster a respectful and inclusive classroom culture, promoting independence, collaboration, and self-directed learning.
- Help maintain a clean, organised, and inviting classroom environment, including setting up and packing away the classroom each day.
- Observe and document children's progress and behaviour, communicating regularly with the lead teacher and parents/guardians as needed.
- Collaborate with colleagues to plan and implement afternoon activities, outings and school events.
- Support the development of students' social and emotional skills, including conflict resolution, empathy, and self-regulation.
- To supervise play and lunchtimes alongside the lead teacher.

As we like to take advantage of opportunities to learn outdoors - art, nature school and PE, it is important that the candidate is able to embrace this.

This position is full time, 8am-3.30pm Mondays to Thursdays and possibly Fridays (28-35 hrs a week) during term time. Starting salary will be dependent on experience. Attractive benefits package. Regrettably, we can only entertain candidates who do not require visas to work in the UK.

Please contact info@themontessorinurseryschool.com with your CV and personal statement for further information.