

Expression of Interest

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program Garden Specialist (0.6FTE) Bondi Public School

Expressions of interest are invited from suitably qualified applicants to fill the position of Garden Specialist, as part of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program.

School Context:

Set on a spacious and historical site, Bondi Public is a school of 550 students who engage with quality and innovative learning programs. Our dedicated and enthusiastic staff demonstrate a wide range of expertise, with high expectations underpinning strong academic achievement. Achievements in Literacy and Numeracy are excellent and are supported by additional programs including STEAM and Creative Arts. Wellbeing practices are at the forefront and our Learning Support team is highly active - we believe it is of utmost importance to create a happy, positive and inclusive environment where students feel safe and valued. Our school integrates the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program across all curriculum areas and highly values the messages around fresh produce and healthy eating that the program teaches. Philosophy for Children is embedded K-6 and has a dedicated philosophy teacher. The school focuses on embedding quality teaching with a strong focus on literacy, numeracy and Formative Assessment. Students are supported through High Potential and Gifted Education practices as well as intervention programs such as MiniLit. Our implementation of the Positive Behaviour for Learning framework, ensures students understand their own responsibility in being active and engaged learners, as well as global citizens who positively contribute to a dynamic society.

Role Description

The Garden Specialist has overall responsibility for planning and maintaining the Garden. With the help of the Kitchen Specialist who will conduct weekly cooking classes with the seasonal produce, the Garden Specialist will manage harvesting of the food with the children.

Who May Apply:

Individuals with the aptitude, experience and/or qualifications to fulfil the specific requirements of the position.

Selection criteria

- Ability to work in partnership with teachers to plan garden classes, incorporating links from the Kitchen and Garden program to Literacy, Numeracy and the NSW Curriculum.
- Demonstrate skills and abilities in permaculture and sustainability, have a sound knowledge of food cycles and seasonal planting, managing and maintaining an edible garden in an education setting.
- Coordinate volunteers to support the garden program and raise funds through a variety of means to ensure the sustainability of the program.
- Proven ability to work collaboratively with all members of the school community and willingness to assist in the kitchen to support the program.

Conditions of Employment

The successful applicant will be remunerated at a School Learning and Support Officer rate.

An expression of interest addressing the criteria, of no more than 2 A4 pages in length should be submitted to Natalia Greguric, Principal by email to Natalia.Greguric@det.nsw.edu.au by 9am on Monday 30 May 2022.

Applicants are requested to include the names of two referees, one of the referees listed must be the applicant's current principal or supervisor for non-school-based staff. Expressions of interest must not exceed 2 A4 pages.

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