

ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL

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Aboriginal Teacher Assistant (0.4 FTE)

TEMPORARY from commencement to 31/12/2018, possibility of extension into 2019 dependent on funding)

Will be considered as a combined position with the advertised Aboriginal Family Liaison Officer position

Closing date: Monday July 30th

Commencing ASAP, if possible:

A current Working With Children (www.checkwwc.wa.gov.au) and Crimtrac Police Clearance (not a Federal Police Clearance) must be included to be considered

> Applications may be sent 'Private and Confidential' to The Principal, PO Box 7156 Geraldton WA 6531 or maureen.barrett@cewa.edu.au Phone: 99 200 100 Fax: 99 200 150

St John's School Rangeway is a single stream, co-educational parish school, catering for 200 students from Kindergarten to Year 6. Geraldton is a vibrant coastal city, 420 from Perth and has a wide variety of attractions and facilities, while maintaining a country atmosphere.

St John's School was established in 1969 by the Presentation Sisters. The school has a strong emphasis on catering for children's needs and talents, with well established Literacy programmes and Early Literacy Interventions. The integration of ICT is a strong component of the learning experiences within the classrooms, including the use of the Mathletics programme. Specialist programmes include Bluearth Physical Education, Indonesian, Art, Music and ITC.

There is a strong sense of community and pastoral care within the school. The School Board and Parents and Friends Association have a strong commitment to develop and provide high quality facilities and resources to meet the needs of all students, as is evident in the provision of a well supported ICT laboratory, classroom facilities and hall.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified, dynamic and enthusiastic applicants to join our school community.

Position details: This position is within the St John's School.

ROLE:

- To support the Leadership Team, teachers and School to develop and deliver a range of culturally appropriate learning programmes for Aboriginal children (Kindergarten to Year 6)
- to liaise with families, community members and agencies to engage them in the school programmes.

PRIMARY ACCOUNTABILITIES

- Assist in the delivery of responsive and appropriate school support programs that meet the
 needs of Aboriginal children and their families, build on families' strength and add value to a
 range of Aboriginal child and family services within the community.
- Support the delivery of the classroom teaching and learning programmes and assists in the inclusion of Aboriginal culture within the curriculum
- Assist to establish and maintain close working relationships and networks with local community stakeholders.
- Maintain a leadership role within the community in aspects of information and advice on early learning and parenting.
- Provide links to the local community.
- Complete home visits, in accordance with school policy and CEWA guidelines.
- Work as part of a team with the principal, school leadership, teachers, AFAFE team and ATA colleague to effectively support families and communities.
- Participate in continuous professional development and accredited training
- Other duties discussed with Principal

SHARED ACCOUNTABILITIES

- Communication
- In the spirit of collaboration, contribute to and support the work of the St John's School to ensure channels of communication are effective within the St John's School Community
- Provide active witness to the Code of Ethical Conduct of the CEOWA and be supportive of the Catholic ethos of the School

Funding for this position is provided by the Federal Government.

Selection Criteria;

Essential

- Cert 111 ACECQA approved qualification or working towards.
- Aboriginality is considered essential for this position under section 50(d) of the Western Australian Equal Opportunity Act.
- A current Working With Children (www.checkwwc.wa.gov.au) and Crimtrac Police Clearance (not a Federal Police Clearance) must be included to be considered
- http://det.wa.edu.au/screening/detcms/navigation/screening-for-criminal-history/

Required

- Experience in working in a primary school setting.
- A proven capacity to work with Aboriginal families.
- Strong knowledge and connection to the local Aboriginal culture and the ability to promote it within the school community.
- Ability to communicate with staff, parents and children.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality.
- A demonstrated ability to work within a multidisciplinary team.
- A proven ability to meet project objectives and organisational goals.
- Strong levels of written and spoken communication skills

Desirable

- Knowledge of the Early Years Learning Framework.
- Knowledge of the National Quality Standards.

Qualification/s Required

- Cert 111 ACECQA approved qualification or working towards.
- Accreditation to Work in a Catholic School or the ability to achieve the Accreditation
- Senior First Aid, Workplace Level 2, including anaphylaxis and asthma training or willingness to undertake such training.

Applicants must be fully supportive of the objectives and ethos of Catholic education.

Applicants must submit curriculum vitae, including the names and contact numbers of three referees, one of whom must be the current employer.