

# Lunchtime Assistant

Primary Schools, Department of Education, Sport and Culture

**"We get to work in a fun and friendly environment and make a difference every day!"**

Playing a key role in the lives of young people, Lunchtime Assistants supervise pupils throughout the lunchtime period in the dining room and in the playground. As a Lunchtime Assistant, you will be part of a student-centred approach to teaching and learning that is underpinned by the Island's Essentials for Learning Curriculum statement, the aim of which is **'to inspire learners to flourish in life'**. You will play a role in helping young people to be healthy, stay safe, enjoy and achieve, contribute positively, and prosper.



## Responsibilities

- **Dealing** with incidents, providing first aid attention when required
- **Co-operating** with teaching staff
- **Encouraging** pupils to use good manners
- **Point of contact** between pupils and teaching staff
- **Promoting** safe, creative, positive play and activities in the playground
- **Encouraging** pupils to eat their lunch and safely enjoy their lunch break
- **Maintaining** positive working relationships with colleagues

## Qualifications, Experience and Skills

- There are **no formal qualifications or experience** required to be a Lunchtime Assistant
- **Good interpersonal and communication skills**, the **ability to promote play** with children and a **willingness to work as part of great teams** are essential for this role



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## Our Values

### Accountability

**Maintaining child safety and welfare, promoting positive play and good behaviour**

### Approachable

**Caring, kind nature, building positive relationships with pupils and teaching staff**

### Professionalism

**Knowledge of individual pupils remains strictly confidential**

### Integrity

**Being honest at all times, informing teaching staff of pupil concerns**

## 6Rs

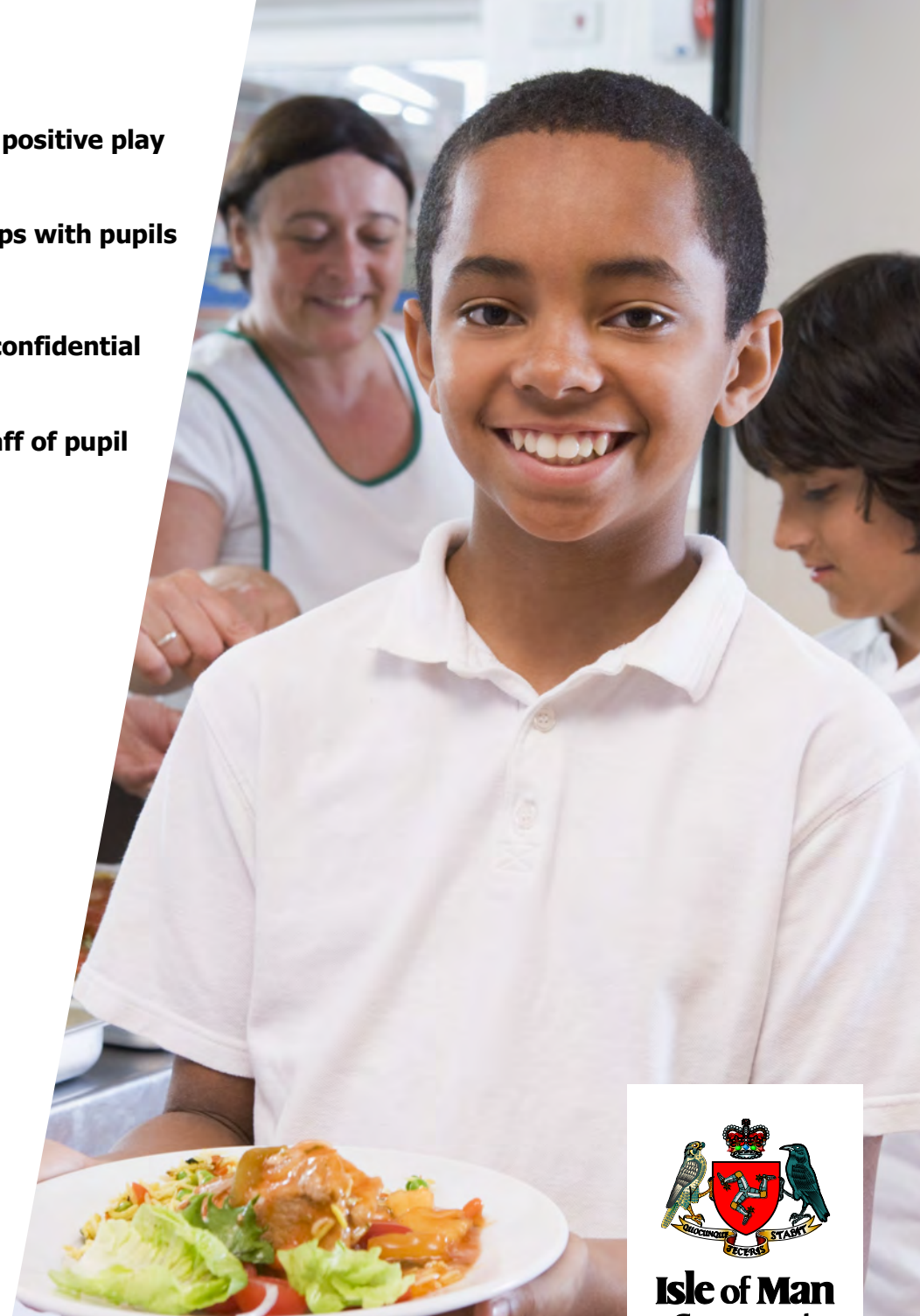
The Island's Essentials for Learning approach **encourages the development of well-rounded children** by teaching through the '6Rs':

- **Readiness**
- **Relationships**
- **Resourcefulness**
- **Resilience**
- **Remembering**
- **Reflectiveness**

## The Benefits

- **Experience of working in a school** environment
- **Pay for Lunchtime Assistants** is currently £12.86 - £14.01 per hour depending on experience
- **Opportunities to progress** to other roles within an education environment such as School Administrators, Education Support Officers or Teachers
- Contribute to **developing the future generation** of the Isle of Man
- This role offers **school-friendly hours** as it's part time (usually between 5-7 hours per week), term time only

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