#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

This exciting opportunity gives suitable candidates the opportunity they possibly had never previously considered or had only ever wondered about. With training included as part of the post you **can** now give this serious consideration!

It is a greatly satisfying experience building the confidence of a new swimmer. In delivering our Learn to Swim programme, you will not only help others enjoy the benefits of swimming but also give them important life skills that could be potentially lifesaving.

The qualification offers the candidate a wide and varied set of skills from teaching different stages, age groups, even adults, as well as working with people with additional support needs. The huge variety to the role will bring new challenges every day.

Here at the Pickaquoy Centre, our Learn to Swim programme offers swimming lessons to over 500 kids on the island. Lessons are spread throughout the week including day time, after school, evening and weekend classes. This gives the opportunity of flexible working hours where teachers can deliver classes around other commitments. This makes the role perfect for those keen to secure part-time work or supplementary income. Sign up now to be a part of our hugely rewarding programme.

### **Scottish Swim Teaching Qualification Overview:**

The Scottish Swimming Teacher Qualification (SSTQ) was introduced in April 2019 and is the industry standard for those who wish to teach unsupervised to groups of swimmers with a range of abilities and is essential for seeking employment as a swimming teacher. This qualification is achieved from a practically-based course and will allow you to gain the necessary skills and experience prior to progressing to an aquatics working environment. It will support your ongoing learning and development ensuring that you are fully prepared to deliver high quality lessons.

As part of the new qualification there is a pre-course module; Swim Right (mandatory) that is required to be completed prior to attending the first day of the course.

## **Pre Requisites:**

Every candidate must achieve the following for the SSTQ:

- Be 16 years of age at the time of taking the SSTQ assessment;
- Be comfortable working with children of all ages.
- Complete Swim Right pre-course module prior to attending the first day of the course.
- 100% attendance of training sessions
- Homework must be completed in a timely manner before each session.
- To become a member of the Protecting Vulnerable Groups Scheme.

# Timescales:

Date	Time	
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> September	17.15 to 21.15	Remote learning
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> September	17.15 to 21.15	Remote learning
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	17.15 to 21.15	Remote learning
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	15.00 to 20.30	In person practical & classroom
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	09.00 to 16.00	In person practical & classroom
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	09.00 to 14.00	In person practical & classroom
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> October	17.15 to 21.15	Remote learning
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	17.15 to 21.15	Remote learning
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> October	17.15 to 21.15	Remote learning
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> November	15.00 to 20.30	In person practical & classroom
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> November	09.00 to 16.00	In person practical & classroom
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> November	09.00 to 14.00	In personal practical & classroom
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> November	16.30 to 21.00	Remote learning

# More Info:

If you would like an informal chat to discuss any elements of the SSTQ qualification please do not hesitate to contact Tom Lynch our Programme Development Manager either by calling him directly on tel no - 01856 886192 or e-mail - tom.lynch@pickaquoy.com who will be more than happy to answer any queries.