

Sennie (SEN NANNY) for B3 and G5

Additional needs present: Autism; Dysphagia; Eating Difficulties; Global Development Delay; Sensory Processing Condition	Location: Twickenham	Wage / Salary: £15 - £20 per hour gross based on experience / Approx £27,300.00 - £36,400.00 per annum gross	Driver: Essential Car available to use on Duty
Live in/out: Live out	Pets: None	Days & Hours: Term time: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 am - 7 pm - Monday - Friday 35 hours per week Additional weekend and evening babysitting hours are also available on an ad hoc basis School holidays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 35 hours per week which will likely start and finish earlier in line with school closure. The family will also consider 4 days per week	Start Date: ASAP

Essential Skills/Traits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge and prior experience working with children with additional needs, specifically Autism and/or Sensory processing challenges Warm, loving and affectionate approach to childcare Experienced working with behaviours that challenge Previous child care experience in Early Years (Aged 0 - 5) Ability to support, plan and engage both children in exercises to best aid their early year's development and/or support early intervention Excellent communication and social skills Can demonstrate a great level of enthusiasm and reliability Enjoys being active and spending time outdoors 	Desirable Skills/Traits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Previous experience working alongside a Speech and language therapist and/or other Autism Specialists Prior knowledge of Dysphagia Prior experience working as a sole charge SEN Nanny (or extensively in SEN Education) Available to do the occasional overnight stay Training or qualifications related to Autism and/or behaviours that challenge
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About the role/family: **SENNIES** is excited to support a sociable and loving family in Twickenham, find a part-time Sennie to support their 2 children, B3 and G5. Whilst the majority of care will be for B3, the selected Sennie must be confident and capable of caring for both children on a sole charge basis, as and when required.

As a family, they enjoy spending time with their friends who have children of a similar age and are looking for a Sennie who is loving, warm and full of affection when it comes to childcare, as the most important thing for mum and Dad is to know their children feel loved, supported and secure.

About B3: B3 is a smiley, sweet and playful little boy who enjoys listening to music on his Tonie box, dancing (particularly to Disney!), looking through books/magazines, going to the playground, climbing, being outdoors in nature, making dens and being with his big sister.

He has a diagnosis of Global Development delay, Dysphagia (Difficulty swallowing so requires drinks to be thickened and will only eat a limited selection of foods) and is also in the process of receiving an Autism and Sensory processing diagnosis. He is preverbal, and currently is learning to use PECS to communicate at school and with his family. B3 requires support walking when outside, due to his gross motor development delay and currently uses a pushchair for long trips. The selected Sennie will need to support B3 whilst using stairs, slides, and climbing frames, however, he is incredibly determined and can achieve anything he puts his mind to with the right support! B3 actively seeks deep pressure and loves nothing more than a firm bear hug from someone he trusts. He thrives outdoors and will often need to run around in order to self regulate, so visits to the park, playground and walks in Kew gardens are essential.

B3 attends an incredible specialist nursery in the mornings for children with social and communication needs.

B3 key areas for development and support are:

- Supporting B3 in the use of PECS to help with communication. (He is starting to use PECS at Nursery and is also responding well to using a visual timetable at home. The family encourage B3 to request motivating items using PECS)
- Implementing a routine (with flexibility) to best support B3 (The family have had success with a regular routine and communicate with B3 using visual aids where possible throughout the day)
- Ensuring B3 is eating enough food each day. (B3's diet is very limited, he eats only a small range of food that have to be prepared/presented in a very specific way and this is not always at regular meal times. The family would like to support B3 in finding ways to communicate his needs/preferences around eating so they can best support him. We hope the chosen Sennie will be able to find a way to make mealtimes calm for B3, without causing additional anxiety/distress.)
- Supporting B3 with his emotional regulation, Speech and language and social communication skills
- Transitions - B3 struggles with transitions, so it is important to include extra time into his daily routine to allow him time to process

About G5: G5 is a kind and sweet-natured girl who can come across as shy at first, but quickly warms up to new people who take time to engage and play with her. She is year 1 at School and attends after school clubs or has activities with her parents every day. She enjoys crafting, imaginative play, going out on her scooter, going to the playground, building dens and dancing! She currently attends ballet and swimming weekly which she enjoys, as well as taking part in an activity class at the local health club.

Whilst G5 does not have additional needs she can be quite sensitive and craves more 1:1 time with her parents which isn't always possible. She adores her brother and is aware her brother needs additional support but understandably gets upset when he has meltdowns. A Sennie who can engage with G5 and take time out to speak to her about her day, thoughts and feelings is imperative.

G5 key areas for development and support are:

- Supporting G5 in exploring her personal interests and supporting her in early year's development (There are only 20 months between the siblings so it is important G5 is not overlooked and the chosen Sennie takes time to engage with G5 daily)
- Ensuring G5 is safe and feels heard following any sibling fallouts (these are rare but G5 can sometimes get caught in the crossfire if her brother is distressed/dysregulated)
- To support a calm, patient and positive outlook within the household.

Main Duties include:

- School pick up (daily for B3 and once per week for G5)
- Meal planning and cooking for the children
- Creating visual aids (timetables, meal plans etc) to best support both children's individual needs
- Bath and Bedtime routine for B3
- Planning appropriate after school activities, outings and summer holiday activities (Including providing a timetable ahead of time)
- Taking the children to/from activities, clubs, appointments and/or playdates
- Nappy changing and support with potty training
- Behavioural support and management
- Light housekeeping duties related to the children such as but not limited to upkeep of children's/areas, tidying up after yourself and the children whilst on duty, putting away children's clothes and other items, loading/unloading dishwasher and wiping down of surfaces after use
- Implementing strategies and/or therapies as recommended by the family and specialist
- Engaging children in their preferred activities and help them build upon their independence

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