

Reliable Sennie (SEN NANNY/MANNY) for B4

Additional needs present: Autism / Autistic Spectrum Condition	Location: Godalming, GU7	Wage / Salary: £15p/h - £17.50p/h gross - rate offered dependent on experience / Approx. £28,860 - £33,670 gross per annum	Driver: Essential - Car available to use on duty
Live in/out: Live out	Pets: None	Days & Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.15am - 5.30 pm • Approx 37 hours per week <i>Additional babysitting hours can be offered on an ah-hoc basis if the Sennie is available</i>	Start Date: January or February 2022.

Essential Skills/Traits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warm and reliable with potential to stay on long term • Understanding and knowledge of Autism • Early years childcare experience • Ability to plan and create stimulating activities appropriate for a child under 5 with additional needs • Experience with pre-verbal/limited verbal communicators • Enjoys being outdoors and in nature • Active and enjoys joining in when the children are playing and/or running around • Confident Swimmer 	Desirable Skills/Traits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior experience with supporting in the implementation of strategies introduced by occupational, play and/or speech and language therapists • Prior experience using PEC and/or Intensive interaction • Previously completed a course in Understanding Autism or Attention Autism • Enjoys playing sport • Happy to accompany the family on holiday (potentially Skiing) • Able to offer Ad-hoc babysitting
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About the role/family: **SENNIES** is looking forward to finding a caring and considerate Sennie to provide wraparound care, four days a week, for a lovely autistic 4-year-old boy. They are a very loving and affectionate family who put the joy and happiness of their children at the forefront of their approach. The family also has a cheeky and funny 2-year-old daughter. G2 will be in the nursery most of the time, however, the Sennie would need to feel capable and confident caring for both children on a sole charge basis, as and when needed. They are an active family and try to encourage their children to engage with physical activities where possible such as going to soft play or trampolining and getting out to local parks and other outdoor pursuits.

About B4: B4 is an incredibly happy, loving child whose favourite things are experiencing the outdoors, swimming, football, going to soft play centres, getting on anything climbable and Hey Duggee. B4 also loves books, either being read to or just flipping through them. He has also recently become interested in activities like baking, painting, and listening to/dancing to music.

B4 is Autistic and whilst he has some verbal communication, his speech and language communication is currently behind his peers. He attends a local nursery for three hours a day where he has a specialist who is working alongside him and his teachers on his language use and engagement. The parents have said that when

B4 is regulated and interested in something in particular, he can often speak out a five or six word sentence in context.

The family take a play centred approach and like to use B4's interests and preferred activities to engage with and encourage him. He responds really well to being outdoors and in nature and is rarely more engaged or happier than when he is running outside, so a Sennie who is active and able to share B4's love of being out and about is imperative. Activities at home can be a bit more challenging, as B4 often seeks refuge in the television which is something the family would like to work on. Recently, as his sister has gotten a little older, he has become more playful and interacts with her a bit more, however playing at home is still not as common/regular an occurrence as the family would like for B4 and so a Sennie with experience in creating stimulating and appropriate activities for B4 is essential. The family are also happy for a Sennie to take the children to their own home to provide care or complete after school activities if they live locally. This has worked really well in the past with previous Nannies and is not essential but has proved a great way to engage B4 in an activity outside of his own home.

B4 key areas for development and support are:

- Speech and language as well as doing more adult-led activities
- Regulating/improving sleep routine (B4 is often up in the night and will only allow his mother to enter his room)
- Using PECS and/or creating his own way to communicate that best suits B4
- Potty/toilet training
- Continuing with strategies as advised by his occupational therapists such as using massage and weighted blanket. The strategies are subject to change to best suit B4's needs

About G2: G2 is incredibly cheeky, humorous and loves to laugh! She is an absolute joy to be around and adores her older brother who is learning to engage with her more with time. She is very independent and will often refuse to let you feed her as she loves to show you that she can do it herself.

G2 key areas for development and support are:

- Speech and language - G2's speech is slightly delayed at present which is likely due to lockdown
- Continuing the exercises as set by the physiotherapist (G2 has hyper mobility and weak muscle tone)
- Continuing with her early year's development
- Attending more activities and meeting new children

Main Duties include:

- Preparing afterschool snacks before drop off
- School/Nursery drop off and pick up
- Cooking for the children
- Arranging activities in line with the children's ability and preferred interests
- Supporting with any communication activities as advised SEN professionals or family
- Create visual resources to best support the children in implementing a flexible structure and routine
- Tidying up after yourself and the children
- Bath time and beginning the bedtime routine when requested

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