

Sennie (SEN NANNY/MANNY) for B10 and G12

Additional needs present: Autism & Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA)	Location: Streatham, SW2	Wage / Salary: £15 - £17 per hour gross Approx. £23,400 - £26,520 per annum gross	Driver: Non-essential - but preferred
Live in/out: Live in <hr/> Pets; None	Accommodation: Beautiful 4 bedroom house with a large garden located very close to Streatham station. Private bedroom with a personal shower room that is not used by the rest of the family.	Days & Hours: 30 hours per week <i>Term time:</i> - 7 am - 9 am (before school) 3 pm - 7 pm (after school) <i>Holiday:</i> hours to be agreed in advance based on school closure - Additional hours can be included for housekeeping and PA duties if required for experienced candidates	Start Date: September 2022

Essential Skills/Traits:

- Previous experience with Autistic children
- Some experience or understanding of 'Defiant' behaviours such as Pathological Demand Avoidance or Oppositional Defiance Disorder
- Confident cook able to prepare adequate and healthy meals
- Proactive and able to demonstrate examples of when they have used their own initiative
- Some previous experience working with Key Stage 2 and up
- Highly organised
- Ability to set and implement consistent and clear boundaries
- Comfortable and confident in handling behaviours that challenge
- Experience with Social, Emotional and Mental health needs
- Ability to come up with ideas for play and activities
- Great understanding of strategies and interventions that are beneficial to children with additional needs

About the role/family: **SENNIES** is excited to support a family in Steatham find a new Sennie! The parents are separated, and this role will take place within the mother's household. She is a very caring and conscientious parent who is eager to find the best possible support for her children and is as hands-on as possible.

The family have had a live-in Sennie for the past year who is available to speak to prior to starting the role. The family is keen to find an experienced Sennie who is able to commit long-term and provide consistency for both children.

Accommodation and bill will be paid for and the selected Sennie has the option to eat the same food as the family. Please note the family cannot accommodate diary requirements outside of what they already purchase, and they require a sennie who is happy to cook meat and fish.

About the child/children: **B10** is a very bright, energetic and curious young man who loves activities such as Lego, Arts & Crafts, Minecraft, and Engineering. Throughout lockdown, he has been teaching himself to play the piano using 'Simply Piano' entirely on his own initiative. He also has a real interest in Greek Mythology and takes a lot of joy from sensory activities such as baking, playing in the bath and building dens. A sennie who can share in his interests and actively use them as a way to encourage and motivate B10 in other areas is essential.

He has a diagnosis of Autism with a PDA profile. Whilst B10 can be an independent and sweet little boy, he can become easily dysregulated when he begins to feel anxious or misunderstood, leading to visible frustration and physical outbursts. Therefore it is vital that applicants can take a calm and patient approach to meltdowns and will feel comfortable working with a child who may become physically or verbally volatile on occasion.

His Key areas for development are:

- Independence/self-care, such as: learning how to tie his shoes independently and how to go to the toilet properly (proper wiping and hand washing)
- Improved focus - finding strategies to help B10 stay on or complete a task, for example getting ready for school on time
- Motor Skills - Helping B10 to learn to ride a bike, and encouraging more activity on his scooter
- Emotional Regulation such as: identifying triggers for B10 and coming up with ideas to help him cope with or express his emotions in a safe way and working with the school on his co-regulation plan
- The mother is very keen for B10 to resume his after school activities as soon as he is able (e.g. swimming and horse riding) so a Sennie who can keep up with his schedule is necessary as well as someone who can be proactive in organising activities and sensory play ideas for B10.

G12 is a bright and switched-on young woman who is very self-sufficient and craving independence. G12 is struggling with her identity within society and is beginning to explore her identity/sexuality and what this means to them. As a young woman approaching puberty, it's really important the Sennie selected can remain sensitive and understanding of G12's needs whilst also taking care of their wellbeing.

She is into many of the things a 'typical' 12-year-old might find themselves drawn to, such as watching YouTubers, playing Roblox, chatting to friends, playing the guitar, listening to music and reading. She also still enjoys playing with lego, engaging in arts & crafts activities, drawing and baking. She had just started learning the violin and piano before their music school shut down due to COVID-19.

Whilst most of the care will be focused on B10, it is important that the Sennie selected is able to connect with and build a relationship with G12 too, especially as they are going through this period of self-discovery.

Both children suffer from allergies, asthma and eczema and so daily application of eczema cream and anti-histamines in Spring/Summer will be required.

Who this role would suit:

- Someone who can confidently help B10 build upon his independence, help him to regulate his emotions and work on implementing techniques and ideas to help with routine and structure.
- A SEN Nanny or SEN Professional who has prior experience working 1:1 with Autistic children

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