

Full-time Senniefor G3

Additional needs present: Autism - Awaiting official diagnosis	Location: Borehamwood, WD7	Wage / Salary: £15 - £20 per hour depending on experience / Approx. £26,520 - £35,360 per annum gross	Driver: Essential
Live in/out: Live out	Pets: None	Days & Hours: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 days per week - 34 hours per week • Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday • 8.30am - 5pm 	Start Date: ASAP - willing to wait for the right candidate

Essential Skills/Traits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3+ years experience working in SEN childcare (as a SEN Nanny and/or SEN 1:1/teacher in a school/nursery) • Paediatric first aid trained (or willing to complete before start date) • Previous experience working with children under 5 • Excellent understanding of Autism • Proactive and engaging with a patient and positive approach • Previous experience as well as a desire to learn new skills and tools to support communication and social interactions • Ability to create and implement new routines and ideas for development • Punctual, responsible and reliable • Fluent English speaker 	Desirable Skills/Traits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior experience working alongside an Occupational therapist and/or Speech and language therapist • Completed an Autism Awareness course • Makaton
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About the role/family: **SENNIES** is excited to support a loving family of 4 find a full-time Sennie to support their daughter at home and travelling to and from her therapy sessions.

About G3: G3 is a happy, curious and independent little girl. She enjoys attending nursery as they offer lots of opportunities for the children to learn and play outside! However, G3 requires additional support within a mainstream nursery setting, as she doesn't always sense danger, may need more time to process an instruction/activity and may also need to spend some time away from the class in a safe and positive environment until she is ready to rejoin. She has not yet received an official diagnosis but she is in the process of being assessed for Autism. G3 recently started ABA therapy in Kings cross and will attend for 5 days per week for 6 months before rejoining the educational setting. The selected Sennie would be required to take G3 to the sessions and if appropriate they will have the opportunity to sit in and learn how to best support her using the strategies as set out by the therapist. The chosen Sennie will be the glue when it comes to supporting G3 in her education and ensuring there is consistency in all settings.

G3 is verbal and has a vocabulary of around 150 words. She is however selective with whom she communicates/engages with and prefers to use single words, syllables or phrases. G3 is comfortable being around other children or having family/friends over to their home but is unlikely to acknowledge someone from outside of her closest circle; this includes her Mother, Father, Uncle, Grandfather, favourite teacher/carer and her favourite friend at nursery. She rarely responds to someone calling her name unless they are one of the above and is comfortable making eye contact but not all the time. If she needs/wants something, she will find the

nearest adult and guide them to her request, which has worked well as her way of communicating her needs so far.

Whilst G3 likes to play independently and will need time each day to do so, it is important we find a Sennie who is proactive in their approach and will ensure they create lots of opportunities to engage with and support G3 in all aspects of life. We are looking for an experienced SEN childcare worker who is happy and confident in their ability to keep a log of behaviours, personal milestones and develop a weekly schedule to share with the family. This log will help everyone involved in G3's care, to spot triggers as well as keep a clear line of communication and consistency between nursery and home life.

G3 is sensory seeking and particularly likes to walk barefoot and smell/ taste things in her reach. This includes both edible and non-edible items. (Mud, chalk, flowers, leaves etc). She enjoys the sensory feedback from using her tongue to feel any smooth/textured material (glass, carpets etc). This has reduced significantly in recent times, but she still likes to touch and feel her surroundings.

G3 key areas for development and support are:

- G3 thrives with routine and structure so creating a routine that best supports her development is essential
- Building upon her independence
- Speech, language and social communication
- Understanding and forming friendships
- Supporting G3 with strategies for self-regulation in times of distress
- Transitions and Processing
- Supporting G3 with potty training/toileting
- Engaging with G3's development and actively encouraging her learning and curiosity

Main Duties include:

- Taking the G3 to/from activities, clubs, appointments and therapy
- Support the family in implementing a consistent approach to support G3
- Meal planning and preparation
- Creating / sourcing visual aids (timetables, meal plans, picture exchange etc)
- Planning age and ability appropriate activities and outings
- Joining a speech and language therapy session once a week and learning to use the techniques taught there
- Nappy changing and potty training
- Behavioural support and management
- Bring forward any key areas for development to the family and nursery
- Help the G3 to build upon her independence
- Personal care duties (bathing, feeding, changing, toileting etc.)
- Bedtime routine (when requested)

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