

**Sennie (SEN NANNY/MANNY) for B7 & B4**

<b>Additional needs present:</b> Autism (Pre-Verbal) & Learning Difficulties	<b>Location:</b> Clapham, SW12	<b>Wage / Salary:</b> £15 - £25 per hour gross Approx. £15,600 - £26,000 per annum (based on 20 hours per week only)  Please note that £20-£25 per hour must be discussed prior to an introduction and is only open to candidates who have extensive relevant experience and qualifications within SEN	<b>Driver:</b> Non-essential but Preferred - car provided on duty
<b>Live in/out:</b> Live out	<b>Pets:</b> None	<b>Days &amp; Hours:</b> <i>Term time:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monday - Friday</li> <li>• 3 pm - 7 pm</li> </ul> <i>Holidays:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More hours available should the selected Sennie require them - to be agreed in advance</li> </ul>	<b>Start Date:</b> 1st September - Or earlier for the right candidate

**Essential Skills/Traits:**

- Fully Vaccinated against Covid-19
- Resilient, patient and engaging
- Prior experience supporting a child who is non or pre-verbal or a willingness to self educate in this area prior to start date
- Prior experience supporting a child who is sensory seeking and has limited sense of danger
- 2+ years of SEN childcare experience, ideally as in a 1:1 Support role or as a Sole Charge SEN Nanny / Sennie
- Fluent English Speaker
- Physically fit and enjoys the outdoors

**About the role/family:** **SENNIES** is excited to help a family of 4 find an after-school Sennie for their 2 boys aged 7 & 4! Both parents work, so they are looking for a resilient Sennie who can manage the after-school routine until bath-time/bedtime starts. Whilst this role is an after-school position, there are lots of opportunities for ad-hoc support on weekends/school holidays should the selected Sennie be open to working overtime.

**About the child/children:** **B7** is an energetic, happy and focused little boy who loves numbers and letters in sequence, climbing, jumping, running, travelling by car or bus (although he doesn't enjoy the wait or any type of queuing) and screen time on his tablet (transitions from screen time can be tricky if not pre-empted). However, his favourite activity due to the sensory feedback is water play! From playing in swimming pools to the beach to filling the sink or baths, using hosepipes and splashing in paddling pools.

B7 has a diagnosis of Autism and learning difficulties. He has no physical challenges and is currently pre-verbal (he uses lots of Echolalia). All challenges at present are linked to social interactions, communication and taking part in activities outside the home as B7 is sensory seeking (he loves proprioceptive and vestibular input) and can find other children unpredictable. When B7 feels emotionally dysregulated, he can become very emotional and may throw things when his emotions have peaked. He attends a specialist school for Autistic children where he is excelling in a structured and supported educational setting. The family hopes to find a Sennie who can bring a similar level of structure and organisation to B7 at home.

B7 attends Occupational Therapy once per week, and the family currently use a lot of pictures to support B7 in his communication, including the use of PECS. They also find that using basic language in the first person works well for B7. For example, they will say "I sit", "I stand", "Clothes on", "Toilet time", "Bath time" or "First car, then park", etc.

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We are looking for a Sennie who can continue to support B7 with his speech, language and social and emotional communication. The selected Sennie will need to feel confident when taking B7 to activities within the local community so they can help him thrive within society and build upon his independence.

**Sensory and safety checklist:** *The family have identified that B7 ...*

- Resists changes to familiar routine
- Remembers routes and places extremely well
- Can memorise large amounts of sequenced characters on certain topics
- Finds crowded areas very difficult
- Is very distressed by certain sounds
- Repeats exactly what others have said
- Very good auditory memory for songs and rhymes
- Dislikes certain foods and drinks
- Seeks pressure by crawling under heavy objects or jumping off things
- Has extremely good balance

**B4** is a curious, happy and playful little boy who loves reading, lego and dinosaurs. **B4** is Neurotypical and starts school locally (walking distance) in September 2022.

**Who this role would suit:**

- Someone physically fit, resilient and confident in their ability to keep B7 safe. The key challenge for B7 is managing his sensory-seeking profile and keeping him safe, which is easy within the family home and more challenging out in the community.
- Whilst the role is to mainly care for B7, as B4 will likely attend after-school clubs to allow for 1:1 support for B7, we are seeking a Sennie who is confident and comfortable caring for both children on a sole charge basis as you will care for both boys if you take on work during the school holidays or if you take on additional weekend work, or on occasions where B4 needs to come home.

**Recruiter:** [Anthony@sennies.co.uk](mailto:Anthony@sennies.co.uk) OR [anita@sennies.co.uk](mailto:anita@sennies.co.uk)

To apply for this amazing role and see the full job description and family preferences, please head to the SENNIES website and fill in our [online application form](#).

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