

## **Sennie for B5 & B21 months**

**Location:** Leatherhead, Surrey KT23

**Wage / Salary:** £15 - £16 per hour gross / £23,400 - 33,280 gross per annum depending on hours and experience - negotiable for the right candidate

**Driver: Essential** - Ideally with own car (you will be reimbursed for use of your own car) however there is an automatic car available to use on duty

**Live in/Out:** Live Out

### **Essential Skills/Traits:**

- Experience looking after young children on a sole charge basis
- Prior experience working with children with sensory needs
- Knowledge of suitable games/tasks/exercises to stimulate, engage and support under 3's
- Confident driver (for school pick up)
- Ability to support, plan and engage in exercises as set by therapists and specialists
- Capable of managing a household and taking charge of the children's routine and wellbeing
- Fluent English Speaker
- Outdoorsy and active
- Sociable and outgoing personality
- Genuinely passionate about child development and proactive in approach

### **Desirable Skills/Traits:**

- Prior experience and/or knowledge of Occupational Therapy

**Start Date:** ASAP

### **Days & Hours: 30 - 40 hours per week**

*3-4 days per week Monday - Thursday - 8:30am - 6:30pm*

*A Sennie available for 4 days is preferable however they can consider 3 days. Please specify desired days/hours on application. A slightly earlier start / finish time can be negotiated if looking for more hours.*

Occasional babysitting may be requested in the evenings/weekends

We are looking for a Sennie to join a busy family who have just moved from London to Surrey. We hope to find an energetic, proactive, organised Sennie who has experience working with multiple young children and is confident in running a household for two busy, working parents.

**About B21 months:** Is a happy and smiley little boy who loves exploring, playing ball games/activities and reading. B21 months has sensory processing needs, particularly in the area of the vestibular (movement), proprioceptive (body awareness) and auditory senses.

B21 currently goes to Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy once a week. These classes are in London at the moment but the family hope to find classes closer to their new home very soon.

### **B21 months key areas for development and support are:**

- Supporting B21 months with his sensory needs and areas for development such as: developing and improving motor skills (especially gross motor skills), safe and active movement to help with his spatial awareness and restlessness and understanding his sensitivities around noise and auditory processing.
- Improving his speech, language and communication abilities through regular intervention and interaction, finding ways to help B21m/o to engage with others.

- Identifying ideas for activities and techniques for helping B21m/o break out of his current routine and explore/try new things.
- Encouraging B21m/o's social skills and helping him to socialise by taking him out to classes and places he can be with other children
- Ensuring B21 m/o's remains a happy child with lots of opportunities to explore, grow and develop

**About B5 :** B5 (currently 4 but 5 in November) is a bright, talkative, inquisitive and active little boy. He is confident but can be very sensitive at times. He loves playing with his toy cars, playing outdoors and riding his bicycle. B5 is about to start Reception at a local school which is a short 9-minute drive from the family home.

B5 is about to go through a stage of transition to a new school, a new home and now a new nanny and so someone who is able to provide love, care and attention to B5 in equal measure to his younger brother is vital. A Sennie who loves a child with a big character who can manage some pushing of boundaries effectively, is key for B5.

**Main Duties include:**

- Preparing age and ability appropriate activities for B21 months daily and B5 after school, that support their learning and development. (such as messy play, sensory play, crafting, baking, going to the park etc.)
- School pick up for B5
- Prepare/cook a healthy dinner (sometime for the whole family)
- Organising and encouraging play dates
- Light housework related to the children(keeping kitchen area tidy, laundry/folding laundry emptying/loading the dishwasher, cleaning and organising toys)
- Booking/attending classes & appointments with/for the children
- Arranging day trips and after school activities (indoor and outdoor)
- Arranging and organising any school requirements
- Coming up with new ideas and strategies to share with the family that could help B21 months
- Ensuring there is a consistent routine in place for both boys

**About the role/family:** The family takes a positive approach to discipline and are looking to find a Sennie who can do the same. They have had kind, loving and patient nannies in the past who did not need to raise their voice in order to instill boundaries, and built loving relationships with both boys.

The parents describe themselves as easy going and probably not as organised as they should be, so they need someone who is very organised, a self-starter and can assist with day to day chores, household management and being on top of things. The family are just starting their journey with B21 and so are looking for a Sennie who can help guide and support them as they learn and understand more too. Due to COVID-19 parents may be working from home, however the Sennie should behave as though this is a sole-charge position.