

Sennie (SEN NANNY) for B9, B11 & G14

Additional needs present: Autism Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA) Sensory Processing ADHD	Location: Kingston, KT2	Wage / Salary: £15 - £25 per hour gross Approx £35,000 - £58,000 gross per annum (based on ideal hours)	Driver: Preferred - car provided on duty
Live in/out: Live out	Pets: 1 Dog and 2 cats	Days & Hours: <i>Term time:</i> Ideal hours would be <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday - Friday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 7 am - 9 am (optional) ○ 1 pm - 8 pm • Saturday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 8 am - 1 pm - twice per month <i>Holidays:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 9.30 am - 4 pm (4 or 5 days Mon- Fri only) The family can be flexible for the right candidate. Please let us know which hours you can commit to for this role when applying, as we may build a team.	Start Date: ASAP

Essential Skills/Traits:

- A great understanding of Autism and keen to learn more about PDA and what it looks like for B9
- Very organised and proactive
- Ideally a Driver; however, this is not essential
- Patient and resilient
- Discreet and compassionate
- Fluent English speaker
- Confident cook (for healthy but simple children's meals)

About the role/family: **SENNIES** is delighted to support a welcoming, and fun-loving family of 5 find a committed and flexible Sennie to help care for their three children. The father has recently been diagnosed with Neuro Disease (Parkinson's), so it is essential we find a dedicated Sennie who can commit on a long-term basis to ensure the children have consistent care. The family have highlighted that they can be flexible with the hours for the right person, and they can offer full-time hours even though the children attend school daily, to include prep for after-school activities/engagement, PA and household duties. Please note the family have a cleaner, so deep cleaning is not required. The Mother doesn't work, and the father has had to take a step back from his share of childcare to focus on his health, meaning the mother needs an extra pair of hands to ensure all children get the 1:1 time and attention they deserve. The selected Sennie will work alongside the mother to divide and conquer to support all children in reaching their personal goals!

It would be great if the Sennie is available for some weekend support (ideally a minimum of once or twice per month, more if available!) and babysitting (ideally once per week), which will be agreed upon in advance. Please note if you are an experienced Sennie and cannot commit to weekend work, please still apply as the family are open to viewing all applications.

About the child/children: **B9** is an artistic little boy who loves creative tasks and computer coding. B9 has a diagnosis of Autism with a PDA and sensory profile. He receives Occupational Therapy weekly. At present, the family is working towards less screen time for all, as the children rely heavily on screens, which can cause tricky transitions. B9 prefers minimal language and gets on with people who are not too loud but still know how to be an engaging carer.

B9 doesn't like competitive sports but is sensory seeking, so he enjoys the feedback from sports such as trampolining, basketball, clip and climb and swimming.

On a more challenging day for B9 he will become very demand avoidant and may refuse to complete everyday tasks such as eating, brushing his teeth or getting in the bath. If you place too many demands on B9 or use the wrong language, this could lead to a meltdown, so someone keen to learn more about PDA within the role is crucial to ensure B9 is supported in a positive way when he is feeling dysregulated. He has support from his teacher at school with whom he generally complies. This has demonstrated that with the right support, B9 can thrive in any environment as he is coping with the support of a teacher who understands him as an individual.

Sensory and safety checklist: *The family have identified that B9 ...*

- Does not like too much intense attention
- Dislikes certain foods and drinks
- Seeks pressure and rolls under heavy objects
- Enjoys feeling certain materials
- Likes to have food presented in a certain way on the plate, dislikes new foods
- Does not seem to know where body is in space

B11 is a sporty, bright and sensitive boy who loves football cricket and rugby. B11 engages in many activities and finds it easy to make friends due to his friendly personality. Whilst B11 has no identified SEN, home is still his safe space, and like all 11-year-olds may still try to push the boundaries from time to time or display demand avoidance.

G14 is a teenager who likes horse riding, screen time, art and cooking! She has a diagnosis of Dyslexia and has sensory processing issues. She struggles with anxiety and low mood and can be impulsive and boundary pushing. She is currently taking a low dose of an anti-depressant, has attended counselling and is seeing a psychologist who works with her and her mother to support her. They are looking into an ADHD/ADD diagnosis as it is often missed in females, but this is yet to be confirmed. At present G14 is falling behind in her academic studies, so screen time has been limited. The selected Sennie will need to work alongside the parents to ensure she is kept safe when accessing the internet and reinforce the screen time limitations as and when this is in place.

Who this role would suit:

- Someone who is committed to a career in SEN childcare - an SEN Nanny, TA /1:1, Specialist etc. (A student may be useful for weekends/evening babysitting but would not be suitable for the Full-time role)
- Energetic/engaging (but not outwardly bouncy as B9 needs calm/quiet), kind, calm, patient person.
- Someone with a can-do attitude who is happy to work alongside the parents
- Someone who can work with the family and be flexible to the family's needs depending on the day. The working hours will be set. However, time needs to be devoted to each child based on the arrangements made by parents to accolate the fathers' and children's individual needs

Recruiter: Anthony@sennies.co.uk OR anita@sennies.co.uk

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