

## Sennie (SEN SPECIALIST/NANNY) for G9

| Additional needs<br>present:<br>Global<br>Developmental<br>Delay | Location:<br>Fulham,<br>London, SW6 | Wage / Salary:<br>£18 - 20 per hour gross<br>Approx £43,975 - 48,750 per annum gross  | <b>Driver</b> :<br>Not essential<br>but preferred |
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| Live in/out:   | Pets:                               | Days & Hours: Monday - Friday Term time  • 7am - 8.30am & 2pm - 9pm  • 42.5 hours per week  School Holidays  • 8am - 8pm  • 60 hours per week  Occasional overnight care may be required. | Start Date:                                       |
| Live out   | None                                |   | ASAP  |

## **Essential Skills/Traits:**

- 2+ years SEN Childcare Experience (ideally supporting GDD)
- Energetic and enthusiastic about organising activities outside the house
- Willingness to complete light housework duties such as cleaning and tidying G9's bedroom
- Patient, caring, creative and reliable
- Able to prepare simple, healthy meals for G9
- Experience with potty-training
- Able to use their initiative and SEN experience to shake things up positively for the family by optimising G9's
  routine and supporting her key areas for development!
- Covid-19 Vaccinated
- Confident as a sole charge SEN Nanny supporting with overnight care

About the role/family: SENNIES is excited to support a loving Mother to find a Sennie who can join their family and support G9 (Global Developmental Delay - Non-verbal). The role requires getting G9 up in the morning and ready for school, organising new things for her to do when she gets back home, preparing supper and helping her unwind through until bedtime. The ideal candidate would be someone who is patient, caring, energetic, and creative. They must be reliable at all times and can be depended-upon in a moment of crisis, which is rare but essential if the time comes! The Sennie must be passionate about celebrating every small win for G9, and be proactive about spotting areas of development and making positive changes to G9's routine.

Mum is a welcoming, dedicated, selfless and caring woman who has devoted every moment of her life to care for and support her daughter. Despite having numerous surgeries and having reduced mobility, Mum pushes herself (often to her own detriment) to keep up with her energetic, bubbly daughter to support her both directly and indirectly in everything she does. The household consists of Mum, G9 and their family PA, who dedicates as much time as possible to take care of Mum and G9, around working full-time for his own company, to help make day-to-day life a bit easier. The PA is keen to find an excellent Sennie and ensure mum has the opportunity to put herself first for once, and the family are so excited to welcome a new member into the family and start this new chapter of their lives together!

The family engage in a number of therapies to ensure G9 has as much support as possible, and thrives in an environment best-suited to her happiness and development. G9 regularly visits a chiropractor to help with her overly flexible limbs and use stretches to ease her discomfort; the family encourages G9 to stay active and stretch outside the sessions to keep her body happy and healthy. It's important that the Sennie is also confident in implementing these stretches and exercises in the home. The family have recently been working with a SEN Specialist, who will support the Sennie by providing a detailed handover within the first few weeks of the role. G9 is gluten and dairy intolerant, and a nutritious diet is important for G9; she enjoys nutrient-rich meals for



breakfast, lunch and supper, and her favourite snacks throughout the day; she also has a banana before bed to support her naturally low melatonin levels.

**About the child/children: G9** is an upbeat, determined, enthusiastic and happy girl who loves going to the park, reading, swimming, chasing birds, hands-on sensory activities, messy play (especially with water!), looking back on memories captured through photos and videos, meeting new animal friends, and listening to music – especially when there's someone else there to sing along with her! G9 loves hands-on activities which offer sensory stimulation.

G9 has a diagnosis of Global Developmental Delay and Hyperflexibility. At present, G9 has speech, language, and communication challenges and is non-verbal, but loves to make her presence known through giggles and coughs which the family love to hear around the house! G9 has a limited attention span and is hyperactive. She uses Makaton, and has started to use a communication device - G9 doesn't let anything stop her from being a positive and fantastic energy to be around!

At present, one of G9's key areas for development is her potty-training, so she can move out of nappies and begin using a potty or the toilet. A consultant has confirmed that G9 is capable of achieving this, it's just a matter of having the right support and consistency to make it a reality.

G9's speech and communication is another key area for development, as the family are keen to introduce G9 to someone who can help her communicate her needs and unlock the world around her! The family uses picture-based communication cards and custom-made soundboards, and are always looking for new ways to communicate with G9.

Sensory and safety checklist: The family have identified that G9:

- Is attracted to lights
- Is fascinated by shiny objects and bright colours
- Touches the walls of rooms
- Enjoys certain patterns (e.g. brickwork, stripes)
- Has difficulty catching balls
- Bangs objects and doors
- Is attracted by sounds and noises
- Likes a hug if chosen to do this
- Seems unaware of pain and temperature
- Dislikes certain foods and drinks
- Enjoys feeling certain materials
- Eats materials which are not edible
- Finds fine motor movements hard
- · Quite clumsy and bumps into objects and people

## Who this role would suit:

- An experienced SEN Nanny / Sennie who has worked on a sole charge basis previously. If you are an
  experienced, sole charge Nanny and have a great understanding of SEN childcare (perhaps you've
  been a TA or 1:1 etc. as well as having great sole charge neurotypical Nanny experience) then you may
  still be an excellent fit so apply today!
- Somebody with experience using Speech and Language therapies or Makaton to support a non-verbal child
- Someone with high energy!

Lead Recruiter: Katie - Katie@sennies.co.uk

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