

## Sennie (SEN SPECIALIST/NANNY/MANNY) for B14 and B11

Additional needs present: ADHD, Autism, PDA, GAD & Dyslexia	Location: Streatham, SW16	Wage / Salary: Approx. £35,000 - £39,000 per annum depending on experience.	<b>Driver</b> : Preferred but not essential.
Live in/out: Live-out	Pets: 2 dogs 3 birds 1 tortoise	Days & Hours:  • 35 hours per week  • Monday - Friday  • 7am - 9am & 2.30pm - 7.30pm  Flexibility required. Occasional overtime and sole charge overnights (weekends) required, to be agreed in advance by both the Family and the Sennie.	Start Date: ASAP

## **Essential Skills/Traits:**

- 2+ years SEN Childcare experience with a strong understanding of ADHD and Autism
- Prior experience working with/caring for multiple children on a 1:1 or sole-charge basis
- Reliable, punctual, and able to demonstrate an excellent level of proactivity and hypervigilance
- Confident planning engaging and creative activities for both children
- Capable of multitasking and managing two lively children
- A firm but fair approach to boundaries fun energy and enthusiasm is key!
- Some understanding of KS3 and KS4 curriculum

**About the role/family: SENNIES** is excited to support a loving, dynamic family of 4 to find a Sennie for two children, B14 and B11. The ideal candidate will possess previous experience in supporting multiples or siblings, demonstrating competence in both sole charge and shared care settings. Organisational skills are essential, and the Sennie should be confident at multitasking to address the unique needs of each child to ensure their optimal well-being.

Dad works long hours in the city whilst mum is a stay-at-home mum, spending lots of time attending SEN training sessions, and tending to paperwork and appointments for their two boys. The boys are both transitioning back to school though the week, and Sunday is always reserved for special family time! The family also have two small/medium dogs who act as therapy dogs for the two boys. One dog is diagnosed with leukaemia and is currently being treated with chemotherapy. If you are pregnant or have an immune condition then you must speak to your GP prior to taking on this role.

Ideally the candidate will be a driver with their own car, but the family car can be made available if required. The boys also have a blue badge for the car, making parking and access much easier.

Given that both B14 and B11 are currently attending school on part time timetables, the Sennie will play a crucial role in supporting their transition back into school. Key areas of focus and support for B11 during this transition include focusing on small successes, and helping to reduce anxiety. For B14, the key areas for focus and support are distraction and rewarding success.

**About the child/children: B14** is a bubbly, enthusiastic teen with a great sense of humour. He loves Roblox, Minecraft and cooking. B14 plays ice hockey in a SEN team and occasionally does indoor rock climbing! It is important the Sennie is an enthusiastic individual, who can form a bond with B14 on these interests. B14 attends an ASD Specialist school, where he is currently working to a therapeutic timetable.

At present, B14 has a diagnosis of Autism & ADHD. B14 is also asthmatic, although this is currently well controlled. Sometimes, B14 finds transitions challenging and can become stressed or dysregulated in large crowds or in noisy places. When stressed or dysregulated, B14 can direct his feelings internally and self-harms. It is important that the

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Sennie has a patient, and understanding approach and can implement preemptive strategies when facing these situations with B14. Ideally the Sennie with work with B14 to plan and prepare a family meal once a week.

**B11** is a bright and bubbly young boy, and like his older brother, he has a great sense of humour. He has a keen interest in the sea and wants to become a Marine Biologist one day! B11 enjoys playing Roblox and Minecraft, and loves nothing more than engaging in role play with his lego creations.

B11 attends a specialist SEMH school part time. B11 has a current diagnosis of Autism, ADHD, PDA (Pathological Demand Avoidance), Generalised Anxiety Disorder and Dyslexia. The Sennie will utilise a patient and caring approach to supporting B11 and be familiar with a range of low demand strategies to support a child with a PDA profile.

B11 sometimes struggles to get involved in new activities, and will put up some resistance, but then really enjoys them once he settles. In the past, B11 and B14 have had a difficult relationship. B11 can sometimes feel quite anxious and struggles with low self-esteem because of this. The family are currently working with CAMHS to support B11, so it's important the Sennie has experience working as part of a multidisciplinary team to support a young person with SEN.

The Sennie will be required to organise and administer medication for both boys during the day if mum is not around. It is therefore important that the Sennie is a responsible, mature individual with prior experience supporting children with medication in a previous role.

## Main Duties and Responsibilities:

- Preparing simple, healthy family meals, and supporting with mealtimes
- Interacting with both children and providing them with stimulating and developmental activities
- Light household tasks children's laundry, tidying up of general areas and children's belongings, clean of the kitchen after use etc
- Helping with some personal care eg, bathtime
- Walking the two dogs each morning once the boys have left for school in their transport
- Booking and attending classes & appointments with/for the children
- Arranging day trips and after school activities (indoor and outdoor)

## Who this role would suit:

- A patient, caring individual with experience as a SEN Nanny, SEN TA or LSA
- An enthusiastic individual with an interest in creative cooking (to try to tempt the boys to eat!)

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

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