



Action For Refugees In Lewisham



Rainbow Club

## VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION

Role Title:	<b>Rainbow Club Teaching Assistant</b>
Why does AFRIL need your time and skills?	Action for Refugees in Lewisham works to relieve poverty and isolation amongst refugees, asylum-seekers, and other vulnerable migrants in Lewisham. At the Rainbow Club Supplementary School we aim to help children between the ages of 4 and 11 to improve their literacy, numeracy and social skills in a friendly and supportive environment. We need your skills and enthusiasm to assist the teachers in the delivery of English, Maths, Art, Music, and Sport classes.
When:	Saturdays (term-time) <b>9am - 1pm</b>
Commitment:	6 months (minimum)
Duties:	<p>Your duties will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Arriving punctually for the 9am briefing by the Rainbow Club Headteacher;</li> <li>● Working in a team with other volunteers and teachers to deliver literacy, numeracy, arts, sport activities – this includes ensuring children remain engaged throughout the lesson and carry out set tasks as instructed by the teacher;</li> <li>● Working one-to-one with specific children if and when required and undertake observations;</li> <li>● Filing classroom work and homework in children’s individual files and keeping all materials and resources tidy and properly stored;</li> <li>● Following the teacher’s policies on classroom and behaviour management;</li> <li>● Supervising the children during break times;</li> <li>● Supporting the children during class trips (e.g. museum trips, sports day);</li> <li>● Ensuring classrooms are clean and tidy at the end of each day;</li> <li>● Participate in the Rainbow Club Evaluation meetings and training sessions;</li> <li>● Contribute articles to newsletter, Annual Report and Social Media (if interested)</li> </ul>
Requirements:	<p>Essential:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ability to maintain appropriate boundaries and confidentiality with children;</li> </ul>

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What will you gain?	<p>As a Teaching Assistant at the Rainbow Club you will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Gain experience in a supplementary school and busy local charity;</li> <li>● Develop your skills and time to help vulnerable children achieve their full potential;</li> <li>● Gain an in-depth understanding of the issues faced by vulnerable migrants in our community;</li> <li>● Access training opportunities available to AFRIL volunteers;</li> <li>● A reference can also be provided after volunteering for six months.</li> </ul>
Expenses:	Travel expenses can be reimbursed, up to £5 per day.
To apply:	Please complete the Volunteer Application Form and email to <a href="mailto:rainbowclub@afiril.org.uk">rainbowclub@afiril.org.uk</a>