



Action For Refugees In Lewisham



Rainbow Club

VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION

Role Title:	Rainbow Club Teaching Assistant
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 teacher in the delivery of a literacy and numeracy class and work with other volunteers to develop a programme of recreational activities.
When:	Saturdays (term-time) 9am - 1pm
Commitment:	6 months (minimum)
Duties:	<p>Your duties will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arriving punctually for the 9am briefing by the Rainbow Club Headteacher; • 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; • Working one-to-one with specific children if and when required and undertake observations; • Filing classroom work and homework in children's individual files and keeping all materials and resources tidy and properly stored; • Following the teacher's policies on classroom and behaviour management; • Supervising the children during break times; • Supporting the children during class trips (e.g. museum trips, sports day); • Ensuring classrooms are clean and tidy at the end of each day; • Participate in the Rainbow Club Evaluation meetings and training sessions; • Contribute articles to newsletter, Annual Report and Social Media (if interested)
Requirements:	<p>Essential:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to maintain appropriate boundaries and confidentiality with children;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A positive, energetic and enthusiastic outlook and ability to use own initiative; • Patience, understanding and empathy with pupils; • Ability to commit to the school for a minimum of 6 months; • Ability to work as part of a team. <p><u>All volunteers will also be subject to an enhanced DBS check.</u></p> <p>Desirable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching experience and/or qualifications; • An understanding of the British school curriculum; • An understanding of refugee and asylum seeker needs; • Experience of working with vulnerable children.
What will you gain?	<p>As a Teaching Assistant at the Rainbow Club you will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gain experience in a supplementary school and busy local charity; • Develop your skills and time to help vulnerable children achieve their full potential; • Gain an in-depth understanding of the issues faced by vulnerable migrants in our community; • Access training opportunities available to AFRIL volunteers; • A reference can also be provided after volunteering for six months.
Expenses:	Travel expenses can be reimbursed, up to £5 per day.
To apply:	Please complete the Volunteer Application Form and email to rainbowclub@afiril.org.uk