

EVS Role Descriptions with YMCA Bournemouth

YMCA Bournemouth's Children's Services

Start Date 4th September 2018 – Completion Date 3rd September 2019*

**These dates can be negotiated before you sign the Volunteer Agreement*

YMCA Bournemouth's Pre- School provides a range of educational and recreational activities for children aged 2-5 years old. Activities include outdoor trips, arts and crafts and learning and development sessions.

The pre-school activities will include;

- Assisting children age 2-5years with their care, learning and development needs
- Observe children's development, liaising with practitioners/key person
- Assisting with the preparation of free flow learning opportunities for all children considering their age and stage of development
- Report all safeguarding concerns to pre-school management
- Support with general housekeeping duties
- Assist in preparing food (if certificated to do so)
- Contribute to team and room meetings and attend some wider YMCA events and fundraising opportunities where possible
- This role takes place during school time only

YMCA Bournemouth Contact Centre offers children the opportunity to develop their relationship with the parent or relative they do not live with. Volunteers are on hand to offer activities to children in a group or on a supervised 1-1 basis.

The Contact Centre activities will include;

- To support staff in providing opportunities for children to spend time with the parent or family members with whom they do not usually live
- Providing age appropriate facilities and resources to encourage interaction between children and their families
- To support staff and children within group work situations
- Aiding interaction between children and parents using kitchen facilities, arts and crafts materials and using a range of age appropriate toys and activities
- This role is occasional and takes place during daytimes, evenings and weekends

YMCA Bournemouth's Holiday Clubs provide fun activities for children during school holidays.

The Holiday Club activities will include:

- Assisting staff in the planning and delivery of leisure-based holiday activities to children
- Supporting staff to offer children physical activities and opportunities to try new things
- Encouraging children to take part in arts and crafts activities, music, dance and singing
- Encouraging children to engage in free play thereby experimenting and adapting their own ideas
- Promoting self-esteem, self-worth, social-skills and values within children during holiday activities