

Live-in Nanny position for Great Family in the Hampshire countryside, UK



Caption: Our trip to Vietnam recently to holiday and visit Thay

We are a loving and caring family, originally from Australia who are looking for a fulltime / live-in nanny to take care of our two sons, 7 years and 3 years from Mondays to Fridays 8-3pm during the lock-down until school resumes in September. The right person will stay on for a minimum of 1 year.

The job is for up to 40 hours per week and includes some cooking and housework. It will involve school pick-ups once school goes back.

Our family requires someone who

- Is a loving and affectionate type
- Is energetic, creative and PLAYFUL 😊, willing to get down to the boys' level and have fun
- likes to celebrate life and is joyful!
- likes craft – paper, balloons, painting, cardboard construction and more!
- outdoor activities – will get down and dirty digging in the garden and planting seeds on our vegetable plot, riding bikes, ball games, outdoor games, camping, taking the kids to the playground
- likes dancing, music, making up songs, singing, dressing up, reading stories and imaginative play, making dens

- is resourceful and can make up games with the kids in our house and garden
- likes cooking and baking with the kids, having outdoor firepits
- can do science experiments and Lego with our 7 year old!
- Likes walking and nature activities
- loves learning and can research (ie. Pinterest, books, websites) and run creative learning activities alongside me during the lock-down for my 7 year old. We do 1-hour a day 4 times a week, and he chooses a theme each fortnight ie. he wants to learn about space, rockets, boats and ships, Vikings, romans etc... imagine if...?
- is ok going outside in the rain and cold (it rains a lot here!) and we try to make the most of nature, woodland, streams when we can. (You will need appropriate waterproof gear)
- is not afraid to try new things and is adaptable
- can speak, read and write English fluently
- is skilled in setting boundaries and positive discipline / natural consequences without blame [for example, the Montessori approach] with eg. tidying up, playing together, setting expectations
- is calm, supportive and reassuring at supporting emotions for the boys
- is aware or can adapt for sensory integration needs
- is good with first aid (cuts, falls, splinters etc.) and can give medication and alternative medicines on advice.
- has an inner spiritual, contemplative or meditation practice of some kind for nourishment and restoration ie. yoga, walking, dance, writing etc.
- is aware of the importance of living in the present moment with children
- has a driving license
- can prepare snacks and meals. We buy organic food and eat mostly vegetarian. Vegan and vegetarians are welcome to apply.
- knows how to be tidy and clean-up, work with the kids to do so also
- is adept and is willing to do rostered household cleaning and housekeeping, shared amongst the 3 adults, such as vacuuming, mopping, dusting, cleaning windows inside, wiping walls with grubby hand-prints, cleaning-up after meals, sweeping outside after mud kitchen, making and changing beds, cleaning bathrooms, taking bins out, general laundry, hanging and folding away clothes, ironing, keeping kids bedroom tidy (with the kids), shopping and online shopping.
- is a good communicator at all times and can work closely with me to support each other to the best of our abilities.
- Is happy to be my assistant and number 1 support with the kids.
- is willing to learn about and use self-awareness practices (adapted from Plum Village <https://plumvillage.org/>) to support each other whilst in this role.
- Has a conscious approach to life and is willing to learn and adopt other conscious parenting approaches that we use with the children such as non-violent communication, loving speech, circles of gratitude etc.
- Is ok with cats.

International nannies welcome to apply, including Italian and Spanish speakers.

We are looking for someone who understands the nanny role well and is happy to live with us, help and support our family.

We live in a beautiful part of the countryside in Hampshire and are across the road from an open field with tennis court and playground. There are many country walks to woodlands and hilltops from our house that are safe to enjoy during the coronavirus outbreak. Having a car is an advantage. You will have your own room facing the back garden with desk and private bathroom / en-suite.

Looking for someone to start in May 2020.

Salary (plus bills and food) is £250-£350 net per week.