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### School Assist Programme



### Volunteer and Join our Team



A volunteering programme using the time and expertise of young people, businesses and local communities to help our schools achieve more for less.

#### **Our mission**

The core work of the Enfield EBP for the last 30 years has been to recruit volunteers to deliver work related learning activities paid for by schools. The Enfield EBP is refocusing and rebranding our mission. Enfield EBP bids for funding, recruits volunteers and works with companies to help schools with activities that can no longer be financed within school budgets. The EEBP is a valued and active charity helping schools, businesses and the communities they serve.

The programme matches DBS approved volunteers' skills to specific projects, finds opportunities for funding and builds relationships with local businesses. All work is evaluated and related to the Ofsted criteria of good value for money and community cohesion. In these times of financial difficulty schools will be able to carry out the additional learning activities and school environment improvements that would not otherwise be affordable due to limited staffing and resources. This is your chance to invest in today's volunteers and tomorrow's workforce.

For our unemployed volunteers it is a supportive programme helping them develop their skills and employability and to support their journey into work.

#### Our targets for the EEBP's 35th birthday in 2020 are:

\*500 volunteers recruited

\*3000 residents of all ages with improved employability, health and economic well being because of the programme

\*£1million of in kind support for schools from business and the local community.

Help us achieve these targets for our schools and businesses.



#### How to become a volunteer

Whatever your age, abilities, skills or experiences, <u>everyone</u> can help a school achieve the best for their children. However much time you can commit is appreciated. This can be daily, weekly, blocks of time or a one-off project.

Volunteering is great for your CV and improves employment opportunities.

It's a chance to meet new people, learn new skills or brush up on old ones.

It's an opportunity to give back and feel part of a growing local community through **The School Assist Programme.** 

Our schools need help in all sorts of ways including being a helping pair of hands, supporting childrens' learning, website support, careers talks to pupils and leadership mentoring.

Go to www.enfield-ebp.org.uk/school assist programme and complete an application form.

#### What happens next?

Once we receive your application we will be in touch with lots of help to find the right volunteer placement for you. We will help you complete the DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) application form. Once the DBS clearance is received we will invite you to our friendly volunteer introduction workshop which covers all the basics such as safeguarding when volunteering in a school.

Once you start volunteering we are only a phone call away and will keep in touch with you and the school volunteer co-ordinator to make sure everything is going well. We will supply you with a reference about your volunteering and can help with cv writing too. If you are an employee, JCP client or student and would like certification of your volunteer hours for coursework, CPD etc we are happy to provide this.

We look forward to welcoming you to our team.



Supporting children to learn & make friendships, keeping the school tidy & safe:

# Count me in.



helping small groups with science & geography activities



listening to children read

playing number & board games

encouraging exercise at breaktimes



helping with art displays



helping small groups with cooking & arts & crafts running a lunchtime club weeding & planting flowers in the grounds



odd jobs around the school

tidying & organising the library, classroom and resources

making
items for
sale at
fundraising
events

making school play costumes

looking after allotments during school holidays

being a buddy at breaktimes





#### **Supporting behind the scenes**

# Count me in.

entering data, filing and general office duties



decorating classrooms, fixing fences, creating outdoor spaces

photographing events for school publications

bid writing to raise funds for the school

being a school governor



being a leadership mentor for senior staff



subject specialists
- leading clubs,
e.g. music

careers days speaking about your career path to a class

work place visits at your company for teachers and students



media support, including websites and writing newsletter articles





