

Job Specification

Aspires Group Facilitator

Managing Organisation :	The Dreadnought Centre
Job Title :	Aspires Group Facilitator
Salary :	NJC scale point 10 : pro rata £25,545
Responsible to :	Aspires Manager ,
Hours :	16 hours per week
Leave entitlement :	21 days per annum pro rata

Main Purpose :

To facilitate evening Socialisation groups and provide support for young people aged 8 – 18 who live in Cornwall and who have a diagnosis of an Autism Spectrum Condition. Groups are delivered Countywide.

Method :

To provide a safe welcoming environment which values young people. To provide activities to encourage play and positive social relationships with both peers and adults. To support young people to engage with positive activities in their local area.

Aspires evening groups run term time only. During term time working hours will primarily be 2 - 3 afternoons/evenings per week. During school holidays, activity days are provided, which usually take place during the daytime with the exception of overnight residential opportunities.

Main Responsibilities :

- To deliver Dreadnought's Aspires evening groups during term time and daytime holiday activities during holiday periods.
- To plan and deliver group sessions including structured social skills activities.
- To assist planning and support the delivery of, holiday activities and multi-activity residential/overnight stays if applicable.
- To deliver one to one issue based sessions when required, following appropriate training.
- Oversee and record group debriefs.
- To engage with difficult to reach children and young people.
- To support a team of volunteers.
- To liaise with parents when required, including undertaking parent feedback.
- To liaise with the Aspires manager, provide reports for professionals / meetings when required.
- To source and support young people in community social activities as required.
- To have a willingness and ability to travel Countywide as and when required.
- To have flexibility of working hours: evenings, holidays and occasional weekends are to be expected.
- To have an understanding of, and commitment to, Dreadnought's ethos and philosophy and to be an ambassador for the Charity at all times.
- A willingness to undertake training.
- To attend regular supervision.
- To work at all times within all policies outlined in the staff handbook.
- Other duties, commensurate with the post, that may arise from time to time, at the discretion of the Manager.