Baby Rhyme Time, Toddler Time and Under 5’s Volunteer

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Baby Rhyme Time, Toddler Time and Under 5 sessions for children aged 0 to 5 years old. Volunteers will run or help to run a session, reading stories and signing rhymes encouraging children and parents to take part. You can choose from a wide range of resources from the library to use. These sessions are really important as they introduce children to the library, encourage children to develop a love of reading, allow children to socialise with others and provide an introduction to listening and learning together. Our sessions are extremely popular and we would love for more babies, children, parents and carers to join in!

What you will do

• Set up the area for activities, eg. arranging furniture and equipment, giving out toys
• Select stories and rhymes to use in your sessions (taking into account library celebrations, seasons and special event days)
• Read stories and sing songs / rhymes
• Encourage children to develop a love of reading
• Encourage parents and carers to get the most out of the library service, such as becoming members and borrowing items
• Help us develop our offer further, including running sessions for special events

You will love this position if you have

• An interest in working with children
• An interest in children’s literacy and development
• The confidence to address a crowd
• Basic literacy and numeracy skills
• An awareness of facilities and resources in a public library

www.enfield.gov.uk/libraryvolunteering
What’s in it for you?

- Gain new skills and work experience around customer care and working with children in a professional setting
- Help children improve their quality of life
- Meet new people and make new friends
- Engage with your local community
- Have fun while learning new skills and helping others
- Volunteering can also help you stand out from the crowd which can make you more desirable to prospective employers
- Experience in developing and encouraging children’s literacy skills to put on your CV
- A reference for you when you apply for a job

What do you need to know?

- Where will it be? This role will be based at one of our four hub libraries – Edmonton Green, Enfield Town, Ordnance Unity Centre or Palmers Green
- When can I start? As soon as you would like to!
- How much time will it take? A regular commitment (during our session times) of 2 hours a week
- Travel expenses can be reimbursed if required
- Previous library volunteers have successfully interviewed and are now employed in Enfield Libraries

If you are interested in the role please apply via our volunteer page