Baby, Bounce & Rhyme Volunteer Job Role

Location

Countywide – in most libraries throughout Gloucestershire

Purpose

- To assist the library staff in providing weekly Bounce & Rhyme sessions enabling an increased capacity for parents and carers and their babies to participate
- To encourage parents/carers to communicate with their babies in a fun and entertaining way
- To encourage families to join the library and borrow books

Time

Sessions vary at each library – please ask locally for details This is an ongoing activity

Duties

- To assist in preparing the children's library for the session putting out chairs, toys and books
- Meeting and greeting parents/carers and their children
- Lead or participate in Rhyme sessions developing good relationships with the group
- Assist with clearing the area and equipment once the session ends
- Be aware of and actively promote Bookstart packs

Skills & Experience

- Warm & friendly person
- Able to relate to very young children and their families
- Practical and 'hands on'
- Comfortable singing in public. Some musical ability would be an advantage
- Able to work as part of a team and on own initiative

Training

Gloucestershire Libraries & Information will be responsible for welcoming the volunteer into the library, providing an induction and orientation around the library, including health and safety training

Supervision

A member of library staff is the main contact person for the volunteer. To be identified in each individual library

Review date

All volunteer placements are subject to a review which usually takes place after 3 to 4 sessions, depending on the frequency. This is to ensure the volunteer and activities are properly matched

Accessibility

Libraries & Information strives to make volunteering accessible to all but some of the library buildings do not have full access and few have toilets for people with a disability. Parking facilities are variable. Additional information on individual libraries available

Additional information

If you require any additional information please speak to a member of library staff or access our volunteer webpage https://gloslibraries.uk/volunteer-library