

Bridging the Tamar Bridge Ambassador Volunteer Learning Assistant

Purpose of the role

This is a key role in creating a fun and inspirational experience for children and young people taking part in our formal learning programme, and for families visiting the centre.

As a Learning Assistant you will be part of the team delivering a learning programme exploring STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths) subjects. Activities for educational groups include curriculum related workshops in the STEAM hub, bridge building exercises, bridge tours and more.

Learning Assistant volunteers will support the workshop leader to provide exciting, hands-on workshops for school groups.

We are looking for friendly and enthusiastic communicators who enjoy meeting people from all walks of life, who are keen to learn about the history of the bridges and share this knowledge with young people in an accessible way.

What's involved?

- Provide a warm, friendly welcome to visiting school groups and families.
- Take care of the welfare needs of educational groups whilst they are at the Learning Centre.
- Become familiar with and follow the Safeguarding Policy at all times.
- Support the delivery of the workshops in the Learning centre.
- Help school children to enjoy the workshops and their visits in a fun and engaging way
- Assist the team with the practicalities of the workshops including the set up and packing away.
- Consider the health and safety of the group and yourself at all times and assist them in crossing the car park between sessions.
- Support the informal family learning events during weekends, evenings and school holidays.
- Team work and maintaining good working relationships with staff and other volunteers.
- Present the story of the bridges and other related topics in an enthusiastic and engaging manner
- Communicate with the Volunteer Visitor Welcome Assistants in the Learning Centre and the Volunteer Bridge Guides.
- Be a positive advocate for Bridging the Tamar project.



People who suit this role will be:

- Someone who loves working with children and families with an interest in education
- Happy to work out of doors in all weathers
- Someone with a sense of humour!
- Organised and able to manage their own time
- Someone who works well as part of a team and also individually using initiative
- Friendly, approachable and confident in a busy environment
- Willing to engage children with history and science in an interesting and interactive way at a level suitable for them

Training

We'll provide a full induction and training tailored to the role. Full training will be given on the school workshops and engaging different audiences.

Extra information

- Educational workshops will likely involve working either a morning or an afternoon shift.
- Volunteers can request a regular shift or volunteer more flexibly. We will have a particular need for volunteers during school holidays and at weekends.
- As part of our safeguarding responsibility a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate is required for all voluntary roles; this is organised and paid for by us.
- We'll reimburse travel expenses between home and the Tamar Bridge.
- You may wish to combine this role with other roles such as the Bridge Guide or Visitor Welcome Assistant.

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