

Quote for parent that benefitted from volunteering:

'I attended one of the parenting courses at my local Children's Centre, I really enjoyed it and got so much from it, I didn't want it to stop and I had become a bit nervous about what would happen when the course finished. Luckily the practitioners running the group asked if I would be interested in volunteering at the next course and I jumped at the chance. I was nervous to begin with but quickly got into the swing of things and really enjoyed it. I developed my skills and gained so much confidence, I was like a different person. I also did several training courses that really helped by knowledge and understanding of working with families. I then saw an advertisement for a group worker at a different Children's Centre and although before volunteering I'd have never had the confidence, I went for it and got it! What started as volunteering a few hours a week has completely changed my life and my children's lives, I'm much more confident and happy now and this has definitely helped my children be happy and confident themselves, I would recommend it to anyone.'



Expression of interest slip

I'm interested in finding out more about becoming a Volunteer at Visions Children's Centre. I'm happy for a member of the team to contact me using the below information:

Name:

Address:

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Contact number:

Visions Children's Centre

Volunteering?



Ever given it much thought?

Visions Children's Centre is looking to recruit a team of parent volunteers to enrich our services and further support the families we work with.



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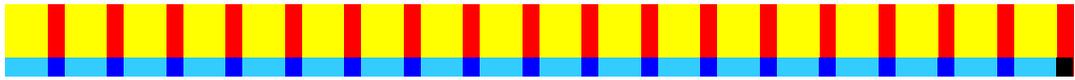


There are several different roles we are looking to recruit volunteers into:

Group Supporter– supporting the practitioners during our groups, working with the parents/ carers and children attending, supporting them to get the most from each session.

Parent Champion– visiting the groups at the Children’s Centre and outreach locations at different times throughout the year and speaking with parents/carers and children about the services the Children’s Centre provides and how they feel we can move forward.

Family Buddy– Supporting families that may be nervous about attending to come along to groups. Meeting them outside the Children’s Centre, walking in with them and showing them the ropes during the group.



Team Group Supporter- working within a team of approximately 4 other volunteers to provide a relaxed friendly group for families at St George’s Barracks.

What could volunteering do for you:

Give you a new confidence and purpose

Access to training

Give you an important role within your local community

Build on your skills and learn and develop new ones

Provide crucial experience that could lead to a new job

The Children’s Centre are looking for parents that are interested in volunteering in one of the listed roles. The different roles vary in the amount of time you would have to commit and the Group Buddy role can be done whilst attending a session with your child. We are wanting to work with each individual volunteer to match them to a role that suits them and their skills and will be flexible with each volunteer.

Volunteer expenses would be provided and support with child care would be considered.

