**CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TEAM VOLUNTEER**

**Why do we need your help?**

Our Children & Families Team offer a wide range of inclusive and accessible services for children and families affected by a brain tumour. We are looking for volunteers to assist with the very important and wonderful job of creating special Brainy Bags and sending out pyjamas to children and young people diagnosed with a brain tumour as well as sending out information packs to their family. By volunteering in this role, volunteers will be helping us to provide not only a treat for children diagnosed but also a useful resource for their families and carers.

**What will I be doing?**

You can get involved in the following:

- Putting together our Children and Families information packs
- Sorting through the gifts for our Brainy Bags
- Putting together Brainy Bag packs for children and young people living with a brain tumour
- Writing personalised cards to go inside Brainy Bags
- Franking and posting
- Inputting Brainy Bag details onto our CRM database

There may also be the opportunity to get involved in other activities to support the team.

**What skills and experience do I need?**

- Great communication skills
- Organisation and reliability
- Attention to detail
- Able to work autonomously and as part of a team
- Ability to sort children’s toys and books by age groups
- IT skills
- A passion for creating something special that will bring a smile to a child’s face at a difficult time

**How much of my time would you like?**

We ask our office-based volunteers for a regular weekly commitment of approximately two hours per week. This is usually between the hours of 9am-5pm, Monday – Friday.

**How will I be trained and supported?**

- You will receive a full induction to The Brain Tumour Charity and to your role here as well as in-house training on the use of our database
- You will receive regular support and supervision
- You will be given any equipment necessary to carry out your role

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- Almost 11,000 people are diagnosed with a primary brain tumour each year
- 62% of children who survive a brain tumour each year are left with a life-altering disability

The Brain Tumour Charity is the world’s leading brain tumour charity and the largest dedicated funder of research into brain tumours globally. Committed to saving and improving lives, we’re moving further, faster to help every single person affected by a brain tumour.

We’re set on finding new treatments, offering the highest level of support and driving urgent change. And we’re doing it right now. Because we understand that when you, or someone you love, is diagnosed with a brain tumour – a cure really can’t wait.
What can I gain from volunteering with you?

- Utilising your existing skills as well as developing and learning new ones
- Experience of working within a busy charity support team
- The satisfaction of knowing that you’re making a valuable contribution to the lives of those affected by brain tumours

Practical Considerations

We carry out reference checks for all individuals who will be volunteering with us.

Where will I be based?

At our office in Farnborough, Hampshire

How do I apply?

Complete our online application form, or contact the Volunteer team by phone on 01252 237818 or by email volunteering@thebraintumourcharity.org.

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