

Early Years Chef

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Company: Bright Horizons

Location: Cambridgeshire

Category: other-general

Nursery: Bright Horizons Little DISCoveries Nursery and Preschool

Salary Starting from £27,427.71 per annum per annum (dependent on qualification/s and experience)

Location: Cambridge

We have a very exciting opportunity for a full time Nursery practitioners to join our **Bright Horizons Little DISCoveries Nursery and Preschool** ready for its grand opening in September 2024!

The nursery is a 126 place setting and forms part of a brand new amenities building.

The building also has a gym and café (both of which will be available to Bright Horizons colleagues working in the nursery).

Children will have access to 8 age-appropriate rooms, all of which open onto a courtyard garden, plus a separate wellness garden and a multi-function room equipped with multi-media technology. A resident scientist for the nursery has been identified and will support the nursery team to provide early opportunities to engage with themed activities around Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

We have several other Bright Horizons settings in close proximity, meaning you will be able to join us before the nursery opens if you would like to, and work in another setting until the opening later in the year

What we can offer you

Our benefits include, but are not limited to;

Above industry standard salary, with annual salary reviews

Discounted childcare of 50% for first child

Up to 33 days holiday per year, with the option to buy additional days

Smart Health access, including 24/7 access to Virtual GP appointments, fitness programmes and mental health support

Financial support through early access to wages, low interest debt consolidation loans and a wide variety of discounts across high street brands, travel, utilities and days out

Development programme access for every stage of your career, tailored to your individual journey, with opportunities across our network of nurseries

Access to our Future Leaders programme, preparing you to step into a Room Leader position

Employee Appreciation throughout the year including our annual Awards of Excellence gala's

Happy to Talk Flexible Working

Why Bright Horizons?

We are driven by our HEART values (Honesty, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, and Teamwork). If your values align, you'd be a great fit to join one of our 300 nurseries across the UK. We've also been voted Great Place to Work every year since 2006 - as well as achieving Great Place for Wellbeing and Great Place for Women.

Did you know, Bright Horizons Foundation for Children charity has been established since 2005 supporting the lives of thousands of children and families in crisis, across almost 100 locations? Each Bright Horizons colleague is entitled to a paid volunteer day every year!

What you'll be doing

Prepare, cook, and present age-appropriate food for all the children with minimum wastage

Take responsibility to ensure all dietary requirements are catered for and clearly communicated to the teams

Keep the kitchen a clean and safe environment, adhering to internal and external requirements

Have an active role in leading the cookery club sessions with the children

Support with other nursery activities e.g., BBQs, Fetes, and staff meetings

Ensure stock levels are suitably managed and recorded, in line with company procedure

Work in partnership with the nursery team and parents, to encourage a healthy and nutritious diet

Promote and ensure child welfare, protection, health and safety and safeguarding

Work with colleagues to maintain a positive, happy and safe environment

What we're looking for

Previous experience within a role which involves cooking in a domestic or commercial property

Passion for nutrition, and inspiring others in healthy eating

Food Safety CIEH L2 or above (or equivalent) – this must be passed on day 1 in post

Sound knowledge of COSHH

Ability to demonstrate a sound knowledge of managing different dietary requirements, particularly food allergies

Great communication skills, with both colleagues, children, and parents

Ability to work under pressure

We look forward to receiving your application!

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