

Volunteer Role Profile: Our Place

Introduction: The Our Place Team supports children and young people with additional needs. We have Inclusion Teams in all the mainstream Kids and Luminosity venues to support delegates to access their age-appropriate group. The role of our inclusion teams will look different depending on the needs of the delegates; for example, team may provide support within a small group, facilitate use of a breakout space within a venue, or provide 1:1 support.

We also have a small number of team who work in our specialist venues: Our Place Kids and Our Place Youth. Our Place Kids and Our Place Youth run at the same time as the mainstream Kids and Youth venues to provide a specialised programme for children and young people who may need a different type of environment. We support delegates to transition between the mainstream venues and specialist venues, if appropriate, during sessions.

All team are expected to work two sessions a day and, for most, this is the morning (approximately 8:15am – 12:45pm) and evening sessions (5:45pm – 9:15pm).

About: We're looking for friendly, kind and flexible volunteers, who enjoy working in a team and are willing to get alongside the children and young people, engage in different activities and have fun! We'd also love volunteers to have an understanding of different communication and sensory needs and be happy to learn how to support individuals with such needs.

Key Responsibilities:

- Be welcoming, enthusiastic and compassionate to all the children and young people in your care.
- Follow any guidance or instructions from your allocated Our Place Venue Leader(s).
- Support your Team Leader(s) and fellow team members - always encourage, listen and share ideas with each other.
- Actively encourage and support the children and young people in your care to engage in the venue's sessions and facilitate space for them to meet with Jesus.
- Actively get to know and interact with, the children and young people who you are supporting.
- Listen to and communicate clearly with parents/carers (where appropriate).
- Get stuck in with what is going on but don't be afraid to ask questions or ask for help.
- Follow the New Wine safeguarding policies and procedures.

Personal Specification:

- Flexible
- Team players
- Compassionate and caring
- Have a "can-do" attitude
- Enthusiastic
- Welcoming and friendly
- Trustworthy and reliable

- Resilient
- Able to take direction from Team Leaders
- Supportive of New Wine's aims and objectives and can demonstrate the One Team culture by upholding other volunteers and teams.

Team members don't necessarily need to have much experience with individuals with additional needs, but do need a willingness to get stuck in, learn and work well in a team!

Primary Liaison with:	Our Place Venue Leader(s)
Secondary Liaison with:	Our Place Team Leaders

Reports to: Our Place Venue Leader and Our Place Team Leaders