

RECRUITING

TRAINEE SEN TEACHER PLACEMENT

Salary	£23,000 per annum
Contract terms	Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 4.30pm (Tuesdays until 5.30pm)
Annual leave	44 days school holiday plus bank holidays
Free on-site parking	

ALL PLACEMENTS REQUIRE A MINIMUM COMMITMENT OF 1 ACADEMIC YEAR

Are you studying Psychology or Education at University?

Are you interested in Special Educational Needs and Behaviour Analysis?

Jigsaw School, a day school for autistic children aged 4-19, has paid placements available for university students who are looking to develop their careers in psychology and special educational needs. You will have the opportunity to gain hands on experience of supporting autistic children whilst accessing a wide range of funded training and qualification opportunities in SEN education and Behaviour Analysis. You will receive support and regular supervision from some of the UK's leading and internationally recognised Behaviour Analytic experts.

What will I be doing during my placement?

- Providing teaching and support to our pupils, following individualised curriculums
- Planning, preparing and delivering lessons and activities, focusing largely on life skills
- Contributing to research and undertaking training to support your personal development
- Supporting pupils' participation in trips, applying theory-based learning to practice
- Providing behaviourally based support to reduce behaviours that impact quality of life
- Providing personal care, encouraging pupils to maintain acceptable levels of hygiene (toileting, feeding)
- Monitoring pupil progress, ensuring teaching is appropriate and effective for each child's needs
- Assisting with breaktime duties including playground support and snack time

What training & qualification opportunities are there?

- Regular training in Safeguarding, Emergency Medication, Behaviour Management, Personal Care, Autism, First Aid and more
- Behaviour specific qualifications including CABAS Teaching Assistant rank (cabasschools.org) and Registered Behaviour Technician (RBT) (bacb.com)
- In situ teacher training and observations in the classroom

What do our past interns have to say?

'Working at Jigsaw School was an incredible opportunity and I acquired some really valuable experience. I completed a lot of training and gained many professional skills throughout my year. Thank you to all the amazing people I have worked with at Jigsaw School for teaching me'

'This placement has given me amazing training, experience and professional skills that I hope to implement into future roles. A huge thank you to the team at Jigsaw for supporting me throughout this year!'

'I have felt myself grow both professionally and personally through this placement. I was placed at Jigsaw to benefit and educate the children, but in many ways, they have inspired me'

'Jigsaw has not only provided me with great skills, through training and experience; it has also positively changed my insight and perspective towards approaching daily challenges and hurdles'

What are the benefits of a paid placement at Jigsaw School?

- The opportunity to Broaden your skills and expand your CV with a range of fully funded training pathways
- The chance to work alongside a multidisciplinary teams of behaviour analysts, speech & language and occupational therapists
- Term time only working – don't give up the school holidays just yet!
- Casual working opportunities upon completing your placement, whilst in your final year of university
- Staff wellbeing and support facilities

What do I need to apply?

- Professional, personal or voluntary experience of working with children with disabilities
- Minimum Grade C/4 GCSE in English Language & Maths or equivalent
- Comfortable working with children who exhibit behaviour that challenges
- Comfortable supporting others with personal/intimate care where required
- Ability to keep calm in high pressure situations
- Drivers licence or access to a lift (due to remote location of our site)

ABOUT JIGSAW

Jigsaw Trust is a registered charity **inspired by autism** in its desire to provide the very best in ongoing education, vocational and wellbeing services for autistic people; it is also committed to raising awareness of autism and promoting the understanding and acceptance of autistic people.

Jigsaw Trust incorporates: **Jigsaw CABAS School**, rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted, educating children aged 4-19 years, and **JigsawPlus** a specialist day service delivering key living and life skills learning for adults from the age of 18+. The Trust also operates 2 social enterprises: **Café on the Park** providing work experience and volunteering opportunities in a public-facing setting, and **Jigsaw GARDENworks** enabling learners of all ages to embark on a range of gardening and related outdoor activities.

Find out more

Please visit our website jigsawtrust.co.uk/current-vacancies where you will find a full Job Description.

For an informal discussion about the role please our HR Department on 01483 277366 or email careers@jigsawtrust.co.uk

Application process

To apply for this role download and complete an application form found at jigsawtrust.co.uk/current-vacancies and return it to careers@jigsawtrust.co.uk

Closing date

Internships are offered on a first come first served basis, therefore we encourage you to apply as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. We anticipate that interviews for shortlisted applicants will commence in November/December 2023.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults at risk. We expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All successful candidates will be subject to a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)