

Play Team Volunteer

About St Luke's Lunch

During the school holidays we offer a free meal and fun activities to those experiencing food poverty in the Barton Hill/Lawrence Hill area. The hunger increases during the school holidays for families that rely on free school meals. We like to fill bellies with nutritional food, laughter and fun!

The Need In Lawrence Hill (Barton Hill)

- More than one in four children in Bristol are living in poverty and struggle to get three full meals a day ([BP 2018](#))
- In Lawrence Hill more than half of the children (51 per cent) come from families who fight to make ends meet ([BP 2018](#))
- Lawrence Hill is within the most deprived 10% in England ([BCC 2019](#))
- There's a 40% increased premature mortality in Lawrence Hill compared to the average in Bristol ([BCC 2019](#))

Play Team Volunteer Role

We're looking for people that can get involved in leading and/or supporting games and activities for children who are experiencing holiday hunger. You'll bring a positive energy to enthuse children to get involved in fun activities that bring them joy. This maybe playing board games, sporting activities, treasure hunts, creative play, dance, drama, team games or just ensuring that there's an assortment of play equipment for children to play with freely.

If you feel you can bring some fun, creativity and laughter to the team then would love to hear from you!

Contract type:

Voluntary role

Reporting to:

St Luke's Lunch Team Leader

Hours:

During the school holidays, ideally once a week. Specified days and hours depending on the school holiday generally 10.00am–1:30pm.

Time Commitment:

It's important to have some continuity for the children so we ask that you commit for a minimum of 3 months.

The Role:

Encourage play and create fun through games/activities for children aged 4 -11 that are experiencing holiday hunger.

- Organising and leading/supporting games, within a team
- Ensuring the activities are inclusive of all
- Encouraging all children to get involved with the various activities on offer
- Ensure all activities are run safely
- Organising play resources for the session
- Set up and clear away session room

Skills:

- A positive and energetic attitude towards bringing fun to children
- Previous experience of working with children
- Excellent communication skills to communicate well with people from various backgrounds
- Ability to work within and apply boundaries
- Reliable and punctual to attend the shifts committed to
- Ability to be patient and understanding
- Ability to take initiative as well as encourage others
- Ability to be flexible and work according to the needs of the team

What we offer:

- To work as part of a dynamic and supportive team
- An opportunity to develop your strengths and skills, build confidence and feel valued

- Transferable professional skills and work experience that provides you with additional sources for positive work references
- Greater knowledge about the third sector
- Comprehensive induction and training to perform your role effectively.
- A free lunch

How to apply:

Tell us a little bit about yourself and how you can be an encouraging and fun element to the lunch club for the children of Barton Hill by completing our [application form](#). We will then invite you in for a chat and offer training for the summer clubs (if applicable).

If you would like to chat more about the role or to talk about different ways you would like to get involved then call Amy on 07801 762655 or lunchstlukes@gmail.com .