



## **Volunteering as a member of the Education Team at Christ Church Cathedral**

**Would you like to become a Volunteer and support the Education team at Christ Church Cathedral? We need people to bring the Cathedral alive for our younger visitors.**

Over the year, thousands of students, school pupils, children and their families visit the Cathedral each year. Christ Church Cathedral's Education programme for schools relies on Education Guides and other Volunteers who make a real and valued difference to our work.



As the number of schools visiting the Cathedral is likely to increase, we are hoping to recruit more volunteers to work as Education Guides on an occasional and term-time basis (e.g. a half day, once or twice per month). We do not necessarily need to ask people to make a regular commitment.

Experience of working with children is an advantage, but not essential. The role involves being a warm, helpful person who enjoys interacting with young people and sharing an enthusiasm for the Cathedral, for history, and the Christian faith.





### **Who may volunteer?**

Work Experience Students; Undergraduates and Graduates; potential, former or part-time Teachers; Career changers; and those with some time to spare...

### **What does being an Education Guide involve?**

Education Guides are not responsible for pupils' behaviour and will not be left alone with a group. There will always be another adult (member of staff, teacher, or parent) working with you. The Education Guides' role is to welcome young people and to help with a range of activities. Our Education Guides enable pupils to engage more deeply with Cathedral life and other educational themes, such as Pilgrimage.

Helpful briefings are given for each visit, but Education Guides are invited to benefit from training events and encouraged to 'shadow' current guides to build up their knowledge and confidence.

All our volunteers are required to undergo a DBS check and provide 2 referees, in line with the Cathedral's Safeguarding Policy.



**If you would like to be involved, please contact the Education Officer:**

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