

Job Description

Note:

Group 1: Must have DBS and Barring check

Group 2: Must have DBS check

Group 3-5: No DBS check.

Role: Messy Church Helper

Group: 2 **Workforce (Child/Adult): Child& Adult**

Volunteer Role Outline

Role information: To support Messy Church

Location: Local Church

Responsible to: The Messy Church Leader, Minister and Church Council.

Eligibility: To be in good standing with a local Church.

Commitment: Variable depending on the frequency of Messy Church

Key volunteer activities

- Attending planning meetings with the team
- Helping source and prepare the materials and equipment you will need
- Praying for Messy Church independently and when possible at the prayer meeting beforehand
- Letting the rest of the planning team know your availability
- Helping set up the night/morning before if possible
- Welcoming families and chatting to them
- Leading your activity, sharing the story and helping families enjoy their time at your table
- Clearing up as much as you can
- Joining in the Celebration, leading it as required and encouraging families to participate
- Serving & eating with the families and chatting with them
- Clearing up afterwards as much as possible
- Emailing in reflections on how the session went and on any thoughts / stories / changes/ suggestions

At any time

Liaise with the Messy Church Leader, Safeguarding Officer or Minister on any issues that may give cause for concern.

Personal Skills

- To be in good standing within the local church/circuit
- Ability to take responsibility and take the initiative
- Adaptability
- A love of Jesus Christ and a desire to share your faith with the families through actions and words
- A positive, cooperative, helpful, loving, forgiving attitude to team and families

Boundaries

- An understanding that it's messy and will never be perfect
- A willingness to share your own ideas and limitations without fear of being judged

Safeguarding

The role will be recruited using the Safer Recruitment Procedure of The Methodist Church and volunteers will need to complete the required recruitment forms and will need a satisfactory criminal record clearance certificate (DBS). Volunteers will be asked to provide all relevant documents for these checks. The cost of the check will be met by the Church.

Training and support provided

- Volunteers are supported by the Messy Church Leader, Minister and Church Council
- Attending periodic specific Messy Church training and social events
- Volunteers are required to attend safeguarding training; Creating Safer Space- Foundation Module renewable every four years. EDI training maybe required.
- Expenses can be applied for

Appointment Period

Volunteers appointment is for three years with an additional three years on reappointment. It should not continue beyond six years. However, in exceptional circumstances the appointment can be extended, but only following a closed ballot at the Annual church Meeting.

This job description is approved by

Signed..... Date.....
(Church Council)

I have seen and accept the responsibilities of this role

Signed..... Date.....
(Applicant)

NAME:

CONTACT DETAILS: