

# Treloar Trust Role Description

**Voluntary Helper Role:** Gardener - Voluntary Helper

**Location:** Treloar Campus (Holybourne)

**Contact Person:** Horticultural Lead / Volunteers Lead

## Why we need you

Treloar's is not only home to our School, College and Residential Houses – which provide a *home from home* for many of our students – but also to a range of state-of-the-art facilities used by outside agencies. Alongside this, we host a variety of exhibitions, open days and special events throughout the year, all of which benefit from our welcoming and well-kept surroundings.

Our dedicated gardening team plays a vital role in maintaining and enhancing these spaces, ensuring the ground remains safe, attractive, and inspiring for everyone who lives, studies, works or visits here. As a volunteer Gardening Helper, you'll be supporting with propagation of plants, and everyday tasks such as watering, planting, and keeping our outdoor learning centre and greenhouse tidy.

## What will I be doing?

- Propagating plants
- Watering, potting and planting flowers or vegetables
- Tidying and maintaining outdoor spaces
- Support gardening events such as the annual plant sale
- Helping to create a pleasant and nurturing environment for our students

## What skills or qualities do I require?

We're looking for someone who:

- Enjoys spending time outdoors and isn't afraid to get their hands dirty
- Is reliable, enthusiastic, and willing to learn
- Can work safety and follow simple guidance or instructions
- Has a friendly and positive attitude towards staff, students and visitors
- Works well as part of a team but is also happy to use their own initiative
- Has basic interest in plants, flowers, or general gardening
- Can meet the physical demands of the role



## What benefits can I expect?

As a valued volunteer at Treloar's, you'll enjoy:

- The chance to meet new people and be part of a welcoming, supportive community
- An enjoyable day in a stimulating outdoor environment
- Excellent training opportunities for those wishing to build skills or develop their CV
- Satisfaction and reward in knowing you are part of Treloar's students achieving their true potential

## What training will be provided?

It's important that all Treloar Voluntary Helpers have the skills to perform well in their role, to comply with policies and procedures and to interact with the students. With this in mind Voluntary Helpers attend an induction and will be supported throughout their volunteering experience.

## Who are Treloar's Voluntary Helpers?

Treloar's Voluntary Helpers are friendly and considerate community members who help Treloar's achieve our mission. Voluntary Helpers donate their time and skills in a variety of roles and vary in age and experience; however, all Voluntary Helpers are committed to promoting and safeguarding the welfare of Treloar's students.

## Why Volunteer with Treloar's?

Volunteering with Treloar's is rewarding on a number of levels. Being a Voluntary Helper offers the opportunity to work (directly or indirectly) with young people who, because of disability or illness, require the very special support that we give them. Whether you are a student looking to gain experience working with young people to broaden your career path, a recent retiree who would like to share their skills, experience and time or a local resident who enjoys giving back to their community a Treloar's Voluntary Helper role may be the perfect fit.

#### What is Treloar's?

The Treloar Trust provides education, care, therapy, medical support and independence training to young people with physical disabilities from all over the UK and overseas. Our aim is to prepare these young people for adult life, giving them the confidence and skills to achieve their full potential.

Treloar School and Treloar College are run by the Trust. They are comprised of a School (4-18 years) and College (16 to 25 years). In School we challenge young people and nurture their abilities to prepare them for the next stage in their lives, our aim being that every student leaves having achieved at least one nationally recognised qualification. In College, our aim is to enable all learners to achieve



their long-term goals of a more independent life and make a meaningful contribution to their community, including higher education and employment.

## TRELOAR TRUST IS COMMITTED

## TO SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

All Voluntary Helpers will be subject to a Disclosure & Barring Service Check along with other relevant safeguarding checks

ALL VOLUNTARY HELPER ROLE DESCRIPTIONS ARE SUBJECT TO THE TRUST'S EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES POLICY

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