

## SPARKFISH 'GAP YEAR' OPPORTUNITIES

Do you have a passion for serving children and young people in Jesus' name? Would you like to gain varied experience working with them? Then SparkFish would love to hear from you!

We are looking for reliable and enthusiastic individuals who can assist the SparkFish staff in leading and resourcing clubs, lessons and events in our local schools.

Previous gap year volunteers have given time (often alongside other paid work) and in return gained great experience. Some are now Christian youth workers or teachers.

If this might suit you, why not start with an initial informal chat with Harriet our Leader of Schools Ministry? To set this up, please email <a href="mailto:harriet@sparkfish.org.uk">harriet@sparkfish.org.uk</a>

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## Here is how it works

## What you will do

- Develop your faith and serve God by engaging with children and young people
- Offer the time you have available, in negotiation with our Leader of Schools Ministry (LSM)
- Make a plan with our LSM of how your time and skills can best be used and developed
- When you have agreed to attend, arrive reliably and punctually, or let us know if you can't
- Be prepared to join in with a varied range of tasks and gradually try new things
- Recognize that young people may not have a faith, or may have a faith different from your own and respect them equally. (In school contexts, it is not always appropriate to talk overtly about our faith, but we can express it through the way we act and speak.)
- Meet with a mentor once a term to reflect on what you are learning, practically and spiritually.
- Accept a probationary period of 3 months during which time the arrangement may be ended by either party with one week's notice.

## What we will do

- Provide planned opportunities for you to serve and gain experience
- Enable you to gain an enhanced DBS check
- Provide practical support, guidance and training
- Provide a SparkFish hoodie and T shirt
- Meet any expenses agreed with the Leader of Schools Ministry
- Ask our prayer supporters to include you in their prayers
- Appreciate and value the time, skills and effort you bring