

Sport and Faith Minister

Status: Full-Time Time Required: 37.5 hours full-time

Classification: Team Member Salary: £23,400 – £27,000 (depending on experience)

Role

To lead and develop sports mission, to reach children, young people and adults (both churched and unchurched) with the good news of Jesus. This involves providing opportunities for people of all ages and exercise ability in Barnwell to explore, and engage with the gospel, as well as effectively discipling young people who play sport at competitive level. The role also includes a significant amount of time working in partnership with local churches, schools and charities so good interpersonal skills are essential.

Requirements

- Be an example of Christian discipleship, character, and leadership
- Be confident in the gospel of Jesus and have a desire to see young people come to faith
- Willing to be a member of and strongly aligned with the message and mission of Christ the Redeemer
- Seek to maintain good relationships with colleagues, church members and others
- Have experience in sport coaching with children and young people
- Be an encourager and team builder at every opportunity
- Be committed to an accountable lifestyle and being part of a team
- Be dedicated to growing in a personal relationship with God through prayer, Bible study and engagement with the Holy Spirit, with a personal heart for mission
- Have a heart for working with children and youth from diverse socio-economic backgrounds
- Desire to see families growing together as disciples
- Be good at administrative skills and organisation, including ICT
- Have effective and creative communication skills
- Be keen to develop leadership skills through training opportunities for example through sports coaching qualifications, conferences/retreats/mentoring

Main Responsibilities

- To develop a sports ministry vision and strategically plan this with the Vicar
- To accumulate resources for Active R.E., and to take the lead in developing its use in local schools, in conjunction with other churches
- To take the lead in identifying ways to innovatively build community and explore new opportunities for mission locally, through exercise and/or healthy eating for adults and young people
- To create and provide regular opportunities for people of all ages to explore the good news of Jesus
- To build relationships with pupils and staff in local primary schools, by assisting with relevant activities, e.g. sports lunchtime sessions and Active R.E. lessons
- To work in partnership with other local organisations to establish regular sports sessions for young people in Barnwell
- To recruit volunteers in line with our safeguarding processes and ensure that all necessary safeguarding checks and training are undertaken and kept up to date.



- To lead our monthly discipleship and mentoring group for sporty young people using resources from Christians in Sport, and explore partnership opportunities with other local churches to be involved in this group
- Working collaboratively with the Youth and Children's Worker, by seeking opportunities to use some sport at the regular youth and children's groups
- To equip, teach and encourage other churches who want to explore what sports ministry in their context could look like
- To take the lead and work with the Youth and Children's Worker and other churches to set up, organize and run annual active summer holiday club
- To be fully involved in the staff team
 - o Participation in morning prayers and team meetings
 - Occasional leading/preaching at services
 - o Participation at the monthly prayer and worship evenings
 - o Working with other team members
 - o Support through huddle and regular line management
- To support whole church initiatives such as Love Barnwell and Abbey Big Lunch
- Willing to do what is reasonably required by the Church leader to take forward the mission of Christ the Redeemer in Barnwell

Relationships

Reports to: Vicar

Works closely with: Youth and Children's Worker

Details

- The role is receiving funding from an external funding partner
- This post is 37.5 hours a week on a fixed term contract of two years starting on 1st September 2024, with the possibility of extending depending on external funding.
- There will be a probationary period of 3 months for this role.
- Salary is £23,400 £27,000 (d.o.e), with the church contributing to a pension.
- Holiday allowance is 26 days plus bank holidays pro rata (with a maximum of 6 Sundays)
- The post requires a satisfactory DBS criminal record check, and there is a Genuine Occupational Requirement for the holder of this post to be a practising Christian under Part 1 Schedule 9 of the Equality Act 2010.