Personal Statement

I recognised my passion for working with young people while teaching English in schools in India in 2014. Over the last eight years, I have worked as an outdoor educator, tutor, male nanny, PA and boarding houseparent. I'm a confident and experienced Ofsted registered male nanny who strives to get the correct balance between independence, discipline, and enjoyment. I build up a relationship with the children I look after through their passions, usually sport, and keep a key focus on the need to trust each other and work as a team. I hold sports coaching qualifications in Archery, Football, and Swimming. A TEFL (Teaching English) qualification and a CACHE Level 2 in Understanding Autism.

Work History

(April 2020 – Present) Self-Employed Male Nanny/PA – liambaxter.co.uk

In April 2020, I launched my website to advertise the work I do as a proxy parent, male nanny, tutor and PA. I have been working as a male nanny since my first role in September 2016. I am currently supporting different households on a temporary basis worldwide, acting as a male role model, nanny, and tutor to children between the ages of four and seventeen.

(June 2022 – August 2022) Group Leader - Camp Pontiac - New York, USA

Every summer I work at a fantastic overnight summer camp in the US. 2024 will be my third summer working as a Group Leader at Camp Pontiac. During the summer I am responsible for up to 20 camp counsellors and 40 children who live at camp for seven weeks. My role includes supporting children with homesickness, handling challenging behavior and managing the counsellors. I am also the point of contact for the children's parents throughout the seven weeks.

(September 2020 – April 2021) Assistant Houseparent – The Yehudi Menuhin School – Surrey

I was an Assistant Houseparent at a renowned music school in Surrey. I was responsible for the pastoral care and welfare of 33 boys aged between 9 and 18 who live in the boarding house during term-time.

(October 2019 – April 2020) Live-In Nanny [High-Profile Family] – Virginia Water, Surrey

I worked for this family from October 2019 to April 2020, looking after four boys aged five, seven (autism), twelve, and fourteen years old. The position included providing fun activities for the children to do on weekends, cooking breakfast for the children, and driving to different activities. I worked as part of a team in a fully staffed household. I was predominantly responsible for the youngest two boys and supported the oldest two boys when needed.

(November 2018 – May 2019) Temporary Live-In Nanny – Woking, Surrey

I looked after two boys aged 7 and 8 in Woking while their mum was recovering from surgery and had fallen ill. I was responsible for the boys from the moment they woke up until I put them to sleep at night. The position included making dinners, organising homework, and driving to after-school clubs. The temporary position was initially until February, but we extended my contract until May.

(June 2018 – October 2018) Seasonal Outdoor Education Instructor – London Youth

(May 2018 – June 2018) Holiday Nanny – Bali, Indonesia

I was responsible for keeping two boys aged 9 (with mild autism) and 14 engaged in fun activities while away on holiday in Bali. I arranged all kinds of activities, from playing in water parks and surfing to ATV riding and challenging escape rooms. I adapted my style to fit with their different ages, so they were always engaged. They enjoyed having someone sporty and active to look after them.

(October 2017 – May 2018) Swimming Teacher – YMCA Victoria (Carlton Baths)

(September 2017 – April 2018) Au Pair/Live-In Nanny – Melbourne, Australia

This position ended because of the visa requirements in Australia. I was responsible for the boy's day to day lives, from waking them up in the morning to dinner in the evening. The boys were aged 8 and 10. I created a clear structure which the children responded well to, and I built up a rapport with them focused around the word trust. The boys understood my firm but fair boundaries and woke up every morning ready for school so they could go outside and play cricket/football!

(June 2017 – August 2017) Holiday Nanny – Surbiton, London

This temporary nanny position was over the English summer holidays looking after two boys aged 8 and 10. The role included helping with 'Kumon,' a Maths and English study program, every morning. The boys and I visited different attractions in London and participated in many different sports over the summer holidays. I kept them engaged through various activities while maintaining a plan and routine to help them feel comfortable.

(January 2017 – June 2017) Swim Teacher – Swim Acceleration

(Sept 2016 - Aug 2017) Social Media Manager and Football Coach – Football Beyond Borders (September 2016 – June 2017) Live-In Nanny – East Molesey, Surrey

I worked as a nanny for this family during the school year, looking after two boys aged 9 and 11. I also worked as a swimming teacher at the weekends. I was responsible for the boys' breakfast and dinner and all other regular nanny duties (bedrooms, bedsheets), etc. I focused on the children becoming more independent and being responsible for themselves. I built up a great rapport with the boys and their close friends. The family decided they no longer needed a nanny at the end of the school year.

(January 2016 – August 2016) Lead Outdoor Education Instructor – London Youth

(January 2015 – December 2015) Apprentice Outdoor Education Instructor – London Youth

I worked as an outdoor education instructor for a total of two years. In my role as a lead instructor, I was responsible for a group of up to 120 young people from the moment they arrived until they left.

(August 2013 – December 2014) Medical Record Clerk - Northampton General Hospital (March 2013 – August 2013) Business and Admin Apprentice - Northampton General Hospital

Qualifications

- STA Level 2 Award in Swim Teaching 5 GCSE's (Maths and English at Grade B) NVQ Level 2 in Activity Leadership ArcheryGB Qualification FA Level 1 Coaching Badge First-Aid Qualification
- NVQ Level 2 in Business and Administration Valid DBS Certificate TEFL Qualification Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety CACHE Level 2 in Understanding Autism OFSTED Common Core Skills

I see myself as a role model for young people. I believe it is essential for me to show the same values I challenge the children to follow themselves. I have the determination to succeed and want to pass this on to others too. I find it easy to build up a rapport with children, and I turn my passion into my work.