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A Day in the life of a Launceston Teaching Assistant

Name: Matthew Carter

Tell me a bit about yourself and your home life

I live at home with my family. I like to spend my free time getting physically active either playing football or running. I also like to spend time with my friends who are very supportive and are always there for me should I need them as I am for them

What made you want to become a Teaching Assistant?

I had graduated University and decided that I wanted to gain some experience working in a classroom environment. I also wanted to gain some experience working with SEN children and the challenges and rewards that they can bring. This enabling me to enhance my skills in what can be considered a challenging environment.

How did your Study/Train?

After completing my A-Levels I studied Sports Development and Physical Education at Plymouth Marjon University. Since working for ACE and being fully inducted, I have completed the MAPA training course, First Aid and Fire Warden training as well as taking a course in becoming a Mental Health First Aider. I have also completed a variety of courses through Educare and Smartlog

If there is such a thing, what's the average day like for a Teaching Assistant at Launceston?

A typical day as rare as they are allow a Teaching Assistant to find the best resources to present the core subjects to the student (with the students at the base ranging from Year 2 to Year 11) in a way that tailors that pupils individual needs. As well as planning an activity for the student for them to learn outside of the classroom whether this be a PE activity or an activity that helps them access the facilities that Devon or Cornwall have to offer. Then spending the time after the students have left to complete any paperwork that's required