



St Paul's Castle Hill Volunteer Job Description

ROLE TITLE: SRE (Special Religious Education) Helper

Our St Paul's mission is to bring people to Christ, build them in Christ, and send them out for Christ.

MINISTRY HEAD: Linda Stephens (Children's Minister)

STAFF MINISTRY LEADER: Linda Stephens (Children's Minister)

VISION/GOAL FOR THIS ROLE: SRE (Special Religious Education) is a unique opportunity to share the good news of Jesus with children in our local public schools. SRE Helpers assist accredited teachers in creating a warm, engaging, and respectful classroom environment where kids can explore the Bible and the Christian faith. Helpers support students during lessons, build positive connections, and help reinforce biblical truths. This role helps our church be a faithful witness in the wider community.

TIME COMMITMENT: This is a school-term-based role, typically involving 1 hour per week during the school term (including travel time to/from the school). Helpers are also encouraged to attend occasional team meetings and yearly refresher training.

KEY REQUIREMENTS:

Note: Working with Children Check and Safe Ministry Training is required.

- **Character:**
 - Value and be growing in a relationship with Jesus
 - Live a personal life that is above reproach, reflecting Christian values and integrity
 - Have others around you in your walk with Christ who affirm your character (staff, small group leader references)
- **Conviction:**
 - Be actively engaged in the life of St Paul's church, through regularly attending a service and small group (at least 6 months prior)
 - Agree with SPCH Vision, Mission & Statement of Beliefs (<https://stpauls.church/what-we-believe/>)
- **Competency:**
 - Warm, friendly, and able to relate well to children
 - Able to follow lesson plans and support the lead teacher
 - Willing to complete SRE Helper accreditation and Safe Ministry training
 - Comfortable praying and speaking about faith with children

KEY TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist the SRE Teacher in delivering engaging, age-appropriate lessons
- Help manage student behaviour in a positive and respectful way
- Build relationships with students through presence, care, and conversation
- Pray regularly for the class, teachers, and the work of SRE
- Be a calm and encouraging presence in the classroom
- Follow all school and SRE policies (including supervision, child safety, and behaviour management)

TRAINING AND SUPPORT:

All Helpers must complete the **Youthworks Level 1 SRE Helper Accreditation**, including Safe Ministry training and a Working With Children Check. Ongoing training, resources, and support are provided by the St Paul's Children's Ministry team and Youthworks.