TEMPORARY PART-TIME LIVE-OUT HOUSEKEEPER COOK JOB

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SALARY: £23 TO £25 PER HOUR, DEPENDING ON EXPERIENCE (SELF-EMPLOYED)

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A young, informal family in Islington, London, is looking for a part-time Housekeeper Cook to prepare weekday dinners, take care of the afternoon nursery collection and keep the kitchen and floors clean. The position is live-out, on a self-employed basis, with hours from 3pm to 7pm, Monday to Friday, and a rate of £23 to £25 per hour depending on experience.

The family lives in a two-floor house in Islington, London, with three bedrooms and two bathrooms. The successful Housekeeper Cook will travel in each weekday for a 3pm start and finish at 7pm, so the role suits someone who can reach Islington reliably in the afternoon. The nursery is a few minutes from the house and no driving is needed.

Dinner is the heart of the role. The family enjoys simple, home-style Chinese food, and the successful candidate will begin preparing the evening meal on arrival, collect the child from nursery at around 4.30pm, and then carry on cooking while caring for the child until the parents come home at around 5.30 to 6pm. Once dinner is ready, the rest of the afternoon goes on light cleaning: the kitchen after cooking, and the floors, rugs and carpets. A separate cleaner looks after the rest of the house and laundry is not part of the role, so the work stays focused and manageable.

The family values diligence and care above all: a kitchen kept very clean, meals cooked with attention, and a warm, patient manner with a young child. The household is relaxed and friendly, and meals are cooked for the family alone, so the successful Housekeeper Cook can settle into a calm and predictable weekday routine.

This position would suit an experienced housekeeper cook, or a nanny-housekeeper who enjoys cooking, who is confident with everyday Chinese dishes and at ease with young children, and who would like regular afternoon hours that leave the mornings free.

Location: Islington, London
Type: Live-out, self-employed, part-time; contract type temporary
Rate: £23 to £25 per hour, depending on experience
Hours: 20 hours per week, 3pm to 7pm
Days: 5 days per week, Monday to Friday
Start time: 3pm
Language: English
Driving: Not required
Start: 1 December 2026

Benefits:

- Clear weekday hours, 3pm to 7pm, with weekends free
- Mornings free, leaving room for other part-time work
- Simple home cooking for the family only, with no entertaining
- Light housekeeping, as a separate cleaner looks after the rest of the house
- All cleaning products provided by the family
- A relaxed, informal and friendly household

Key Responsibilities:

- Preparing and cooking the family's weekday dinners, with a focus on simple Chinese home cooking
- Afternoon nursery collection close to the home, and caring for the child at home until the parents return
- Keeping the kitchen clean and hygienic during and after cooking
- Floor care throughout the home: vacuuming carpets and rugs, sweeping and mopping hard floors

Requirements:

- Proven experience as a housekeeper cook or in a similar role in a private home
- Confidence cooking everyday Chinese home-style dishes
- Experience caring for young children, ideally toddlers, with references that can be checked
- High standards of cleanliness and hygiene in the kitchen and around the home
- Good spoken English
- Availability Monday to Friday, 3pm to 7pm, and the ability to travel to Islington reliably every weekday
- A DBS check, or willingness to apply for one
- Valid right to work in the United Kingdom