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## Part-time Foster Carers required

We understand that there are many people who would like to consider becoming professional Foster Carers but who feel that they are unable to do so because of, perhaps, work or other regular commitments.

In 'Families@FamilyCare Ltd.' we feel that this should not prevent anyone finding out more about fostering. We would be really pleased to hear from and arrange to meet with people regardless of their age, marital status, gender, ethnicity, creed or culture who feel that they have some time available to devote to caring for children who are looked after.

Our service has a number of full-time Carers who are extremely grateful for the break provided by 'Respite Carers' on the occasional weekend or perhaps even a week during holiday periods. If you feel that this is something that you could offer then it may be worth explaining that as Respite Carer you would be paid at the same rate (pro-rata) as our full-time Carers and would have access to the range of training opportunities that has enabled this service to be classified by OfSTED as being 'Good with Outstanding Features' in our most recent (received August 2010) Inspection. Respite Carers can sometimes make a real difference to whether or not a placement can succeed. They can always provide the opportunity for Looked After Children to experience the 'normality' taken for granted by children living with their birth families of staying with grandparents or favourite relatives for a night or two to give both themselves and their parents a well earned break.

If you are interested in finding out more about Respite Caring please ring our Business Centre on 01772 425540 and ask for a member of the Family Placement Team, if there is no-one available, please leave a message for someone to get back to you.

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