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# My family hero!

Find out about Harrie, the paediatric nurse!

I am a children's nurse. I look after children who have nasty illnesses! I work at a hospice called Alexandra Devine children's hospice in Windsor! The age rage we cover is 0-19.

I always wanted to care for people and help make them physically and mentally well! But I could never imagine myself as an adults nurse! I just really enjoy looking after children and seeing them smiling!



### Our interview:

# Florrie: Which qualifications did you need?

Harrie: To get my place at a proper hospice I had to work on three years of diploma and a degree of children's intensive care!

## Florrie: What do you most/least enjoy?

Harrie:I most enjoy being able to give the family a break! I can't handle sick!

Florrie: What is the most challenging? The hardest thing is not comparing the children at our hospice to my children at home and you guys as well!

**Florrie:** How are you working based on covid19? We aren't able to have any children at the hospital but going to family's homes if they want us there. We call and FaceTime

# Florrie: If you could have any other job what would it be?

If I could have any other job I would be a marine biologist because I love water, nature and swimming! I was also a swimming teacher for toddlers for a while!

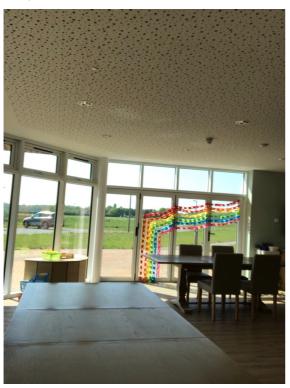
# Florrie: Would you recommend this job to any one else?

Yes, I would recommend it to anyone who's caring and organised also you would be extremely busy(you would have to work on weekends) and you're not payed much at all!

# Florrie: Did you work in other hospitals and hospices?

Yes, I started when I was 19, in 1996 when I worked in Southampton children's hospice! Then in Oxford Hospital then Great Ormond Street Hospital for 4 years then I left to work in the community and as a lead nurse in London at the same time! That was quite similar to now.

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