

READING QUEST



JOB TITLE: **STUDENT TRUSTEE**

Unremunerated.

PLACE: Reading Quest, The Old Music Hall, 106-108 Cowley Rd, Oxford, OX4 4JB

TIMING: Attend 6 board Meetings per annum and give 4-6 days of additional time

Reading Quest's Vision

The Board of Trustees, chaired by Simon Ashby, Head of Logistics for Sony Europe, is seeking to recruit a student to help govern the work of Reading Quest, a small, Oxford-based, children's literacy trust. The board is currently five strong (see www.readingquest.org.uk for profiles of members). It wishes to expand and has identified, with the help of Oxford hub, the Trustees recognise the benefit which would be brought by a student member.

Our vision is of a world in which being able to read is a basic right and people who need extra help can find it. From its base on the Cowley Road, Reading Quest has helped 3,500 children in 96 schools in Oxfordshire. It has trained 375 tutors. In the last school year Reading Quest worked in 36 schools with 250 children.

Most children learn to read. Some don't. Sharing books at home and in school is sheer magic. Reading Quest, a registered charity based in Oxford, was set up to make sure that everyone gets A fair chance. The time at which reading may be switched on, by Reading Quest, is aged 6-7.

This opportunity comes at an exciting time in the development of Reading Quest. Now we have ambitious plans to take Reading Quest to more people across the country, with training available in more places and an ambitious target to reach a further 10,000 children over the next five years.

The term of appointment would be for three years. Most of the Trustee meetings are held during term time and after normal tutorial/ lecture hours (early evening, 5.30-7.30)

To apply please send a CV and covering letter FAO Simon Ashby at info@readingquest.org.uk by 12.00 midday on Friday 29th January 2010. Nomination interviews will take place on in February 2010.

For a discussion about the role please contact Alistair Lomax, the Director alistair.lomax@readingquest.org.uk Tel 01865 403207