

Volunteer Forest School Assistant

This is a short term volunteering opportunity for Summer 2017

Availability

2 introduction days in last week of July (these can be arranged to suit)

Forest School week Mon 31 July – Fri 4 Aug (9.00 – 12.00) each morning

Overview

If you are looking for experience in a Forest School setting or are thinking of taking a Forest School qualification, or are a retired education professional, this opportunity would be perfect for you.

Forest School is based on a child led approach enabling them to learn a range of skills in a woodland setting. Activities include mini-beast hunting, pond dipping, building structures and dens, creating art work and much more.

You will be given an introduction to the Forest School approach and how to support the Forest School practitioner and the group.

The role will be responsive to the needs of the session being run on the day

Duties:

To support the Forest School Leader, working with a group of 10 children aged between 6 and 9 years

Help in setting up, running and clearing away of equipment

Help in the assessment and management of health and safety

To add and contribute ideas to the content of sessions

Personal attributes needed:

Essential

Be over 18 years old

Have a desire to learn about the Forest School ethos.

Be enthusiastic and happy to work outside in all types of weather.

Have good communication skills

Preferred

Have a clear, current DBS check and experience of working with children.

Have experience in a wildlife/rural working environment

Due to the nature of this role references will be required. Please contact

volunteer@stephenshouseandgardens.com for an application form

Deadline Friday 7th July