

Dear Teacher

We at the Buddhafield Charity are encouraging children to gain the benefits of the unique learning environment of the Buddhafield Festival Children's Activities area from the 18th – 22nd July 2018.

We will be joined by a team of qualified leaders with many years experience of working with children in outdoor settings, children will be encouraged to actively participate in the co-creation of this space, and educational activities, with the leaders. All tutors will be covered by Enhanced DBS checks and fully insured for their activities.

Each day qualified forest school leaders will support the children to develop basic skills in fire lighting, tool use and campfire cooking. The forest school area follows a rhythm each day to ensure children feel safe and familiar within the group.

Forest School focuses on the holistic development of participants, through exploration and play and engaging people of all ages through long term activities in a woodland setting. We explore the natural world through the changing seasons; learning how we impact upon and are affected by the natural world around us. Getting outdoors we build community through games and activities whilst developing practical skills and knowledge. Through problem solving, managing risk and using their own initiative to work with others, participants establish and grow in confidence, self esteem and motivation. Studies show that the holistic development experienced in forest school sessions supports children to progress in all areas of learning.

We will also be offering daily tuition in the arts with Majical Youths qualified drama teachers, music tutors, craft area workshop leaders and circus skills professionals. It has been demonstrated that the self confidence required to participate in Majical Youths specialised activities creates positive learning outcomes in all aspects of a child's development.

This initiative will be supported by the national education liaison officer of the Association of Independent Showman as an off site educational activity.

If you have any questions or would like to contact the children's area coordinator and national education liaison officer directly please email majicalyouth@gmail.com.

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