



Volunteer Activity Assistant Role description

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Role Title: Volunteer Activity Assistant

Thank you for your interest in applying to be a Volunteer Activity Assistant. This role is very diverse. You can be as involved as you like. I hope that this is the beginning of an exciting and inspirational journey!

Reporting to:

Lauren Stevens, proprietor of Wild Wood Activities

Work Locations:

Various sites

Groups:

- You may be working with groups of children, young people and adults, family groups etc.

Overall Purpose of the role:

This volunteer opportunity is for assisting with Wild Wood Activities sessions with a variety of groups and at a variety of locations. The sessions are typically based in woodland settings and aim to promote the positive and beneficial use of the outdoor environment.

Role Description:

Main Tasks:

- Helping plan and prepare for activities and events
- Supporting groups and providing extra support for individual children, young people, adults who may benefit from extra supervision or engagement in activities.
- Assisting at various sessions eg. Forest School, adventure days, overnight camps, birthday parties
- Promoting the work of Wild Wood Activities eg. Wearing a Wild Wood Activities t-shirt during sessions should you be provided with one and giving leaflets at events.

Other possible tasks:

- Assisting in research of potential partner schools, youth groups and community organisations
- Supporting workshops and training

Experience and skills required:

- Commitment to wildlife and conservation

- Enthusiasm for the potential of children, young people, adults, families
- Some experience of working with children, young people and groups is beneficial
- Approachable, friendly personality
- Ability to work as a team and with set aims

Benefits and opportunities:

- This is a diverse opportunity and will provide experience of working with children and young people as well as adults and groups.
- You will be encouraged to contribute ideas for sessions with guidance from the qualified leaders.
- You will meet like-minded volunteers and will be supported by Lauren from Wild Wood Activities.
- There may be opportunities for training or discounted training run by Wild Wood Activities, depending on your level of commitment.
- We hope to be able to provide you with a glowing reference should you go on to apply for jobs in this area!

Requirements:

Due to the diversity of the sessions Wild Wood Activities runs, we are flexible with our requirements with volunteers. However, we do require that if you commit to helping with a session or series of sessions that you honour that commitment. If you need to cancel before, please, wherever possible, can you give 14 days notice by e-mail. Obviously, in the event of an emergency, we understand that this may not be possible, just give as much notice as you can. In the event of an emergency, please give notice by phone- 07735 389804.

Volunteering with Wild Wood Activities:

Lauren Stevens, the proprietor, began her working life in the environmental sector as a volunteer and recognises the value of volunteers and the challenge presented by volunteering.

Each volunteer will have the opportunity to negotiate a unique role for their involvement with Wild Wood Activities, this may be a mixture of various sessions and will be reviewed as necessary.

Volunteering with Wild Wood Activities is rewarding and offers the opportunity to learn new skills, meet new people and promote nature awareness and awe of this wonderful world we live in!