

Activities: Self Led

1) Parachute & Games Pamphlet

The parachute is a useful way of involving a large group of people in an activity at the same time and because of its novelty even those who tend to opt out, are inclined to get involved. Between 20 and 50 children can be directly around the edge and as most games are aimed towards promoting cooperation rather than competition it is a perfect activity for new classes and creating togetherness as a group.

All Stages

£20

2) Way Marked Trails

We currently have a self guided leaflet available in Visitor Information and reception. Blue takes you on a 45min circular path around the Major Oak. Green takes approx 1 hour and skirts alongside the cattle enclosure. Red trail approx 2 hours round the forest.

All Ages

FREE

3) Shelter Building/ Settlement

Life as an outlaw in 1248 was a lot different to life we know now. Travel back to the time when the Sheriff of Nottingham patrolled the forest in search of outlaws. As you become outlaws and become aware of the danger present you need to construct a shelter in the forest using natural materials found on the forest floor. (Please note Gloves are not provided)



Age 7-16yr old

£20

4) Waking up your senses

This activity is aimed to allow children to get in touch with their surroundings through using their senses and appreciate the sounds, smells, textures and colours to be found in the forest. The hour is split into four activities each focusing on a specific sense. By the end the aim is to help the group be more aware of their own senses and also of those used by animals in the forest.

Age reception & KS1



£20

5) Music in the Forest

Sherwood Forest is full of natural sounds, like birds singing and the wind blowing through the trees to more man-made sounds, like feet crunching through leaves and cars rushing past on the road. This activity encourages the pupils to listen and study these sounds and develop their own interpretation of sounds they hear on the musical instruments provided. This activity can be done either in the middle of the forest or our open air theatre.

Age 5-11yr old

£20

6) Mini-beasts (May-Sept only)

Over 1500 species of invertebrates have been discovered at Sherwood Forest, many of which are associated with dead wood. During this activity the children are introduced to the world of mini-beasts (invertebrates) and by the end will be able to recognise several species using simple keys.

Key Stage 1 & 2

£30

7) Centre Orienteering

An ideal starter course to introduce the basic concepts of map reading and orientation. This course takes place around the visitor centre and students are asked to find 15 points which are marked on a map provided. The course is suited to introducing map features at a basic level. Maps and equipment are provided.

Age 5-9yr old

£20

8) Wildwood Art

A forest full of light, shape and colour is the perfect environment to develop creativity within children. Pupils will be able to further their own ideas and feelings and create patterns, shapes and masterpieces using the natural resources around them. Not only does this activity develop their creativity but also an understanding of the visual, tactile and sensory qualities of natural materials.

KS1 & 2

£20

All activities £20 per session except Minibeast £30 per session