

Wildlife Trust Volunteer Role Description

Volunteer Role Title	Role Number	
Wild Birthday Party Volunteer Leader		
Reserve, Project, Team or Area		
Inspiring people – Potteric Carr		
Volunteer Manager/Supervisor		
Kat Woolley – Inspiring People Officer		
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Are you a party person, who loves to organise fun and games that brings joy to children, all with a wildlife twist?

If that sounds like you, then maybe you are person we're looking. We'd like a person who can create and lead wild birthday parties for children and their families, so that they have the opportunity to experience the best nature can offer and take away fantastic memories that will hopefully embed a lasting love and respect for our wonderful wildlife.

At Yorkshire Wildlife Trust we are dedicated in engaging young people and families with the great outdoors and wildlife. We know that creating a fun and engaging environment for young people to play and learn in is vital to helping them connect with any topic and for their health and wellbeing. Having volunteers that can help us achieve our aims to engage with children and young people is crucial to reaching as many people as possible through a varied offer of engagement activities.

What will you be doing?

You will be working as part of an exciting and energetic Inspiring people team and you will help us to expand our reach to local families by providing professionally delivered birthday parties at Potteric Carr nature reserve aimed at children from 5 years of age to 13.

Key element of the role:

- You'll be responsible for preparing any resources needed and liaise with the Inspiring People Officer to administer bookings and initial planning.
- Activities offered for wild birthday parties will include den building, pond dipping, minibeast hunts, crafts, treasure hunts.
- You'll be involved in setting up and packing away with the involvement of the party organisers.
- The activities will be delivered by you and volunteer assistants
- You'll be confident in leading activities and dealing with unexpected situations and be first aid trained (this can be provided).
- You'll be happy to volunteer at a weekend as it is predicted that most of the wild birthday
 parties will be on a Saturday or a Sunday.

Experience, knowledge and skills needed for this role

- Experience of working with young people and adults
- Experience of working with volunteers
- Experience of leading wildlife / outdoor activities
- First Aid at Work / Outdoor incident management certificate
- Confident, professional, enthusiastic personality
- Be reliable, punctual, and have plenty of energy
- Knowledge of safeguarding (training will be given)
- A love of wildlife and the outdoors
- Be prepared to volunteer in all weathers

Does the volunteer need a driver's licence? No

What's in it for you?

Yorkshire Wildlife Trust offers a diverse internal training programme across Trust reserve plus there are loads of training opportunities within the Inspiring people team ranging from bushcrafts to identification sessions.

You have an opportunity to practice and hone your skills in communication, delivery style, practical skills and working with a wide range of abilities and ages all whilst being on a fabulous nature reserve and part of a passionate and dedicated team of people.

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Potteric Carr nature reserve, Doncaster, South Yorkshire

Commitment

Saturdays and Sundays.

Duration

ongoing