

Wiltshire Outdoor Learning Team



Birthday Party Information Sheet

Our aim is to make provide an *exciting, dynamic and memorable* birthday party based outdoors in an amazing environment

Location

The parties are run at Brokerswood Country Park, BA13 4EH – set in over 80 acres of amazing woodland with play parks, lake, camping facilities and a café.

Party Length

Our parties last for **3 hours**. This gives you 2.5 hours of activities with our instructor(s) and then 30 minutes to either have your food (see below) or play in the park.

Age ranges

The activities we provide are best suited for those aged 7 and over. In terms of height / size restrictions for parties we say that for tree climbing the children should be 8 and over and for the Tarzan Trail 9 and over.

We also provide parties for **adults** with the activities listed below plus the Zombie Apocalypse event (see our website for more information – www.wolt.org.uk)

Numbers and costs

We charge £16.50 per participant or £165 minimum for the party but some activities will have an extra cost if you choose them. Food is extra – see below. Our staffing ratios are usually 1 staff member to 12 children. These prices include VAT.

Food options:

You have several options in regards to food:

- 1) bring your own food to consume after the party. If you would like to have a BBQ you can hire our gas BBQ pitch for £10. Please bring all utensils.
- 2) Lunch boxes; for £4 a head you can pre-order lunch boxes made in the café. Each lunch box contains one round of sandwiches (cheese, ham, egg or jam), one piece of fruit, one carton of drink, chocolate bar, and one bag of crisps)
- 3) Warm meal – for £4 a head the café will provide either sausage or fish and chips. Vegetarian option available. Food can be eaten in the undercover barn area if available (cannot be reserved) or you can hire the pavilion for £30. Drinks are available from the cafe.

Options 2 & 3 are only available between Easter and end September. **PLEASE PHONE THE BROKERSWOOD OFFICE ON 01373 822238 ONE WEEK BEFORE THE PARTY IF ORDERING FOOD**

The activities:

We will try and ‘tweak’ the activity to suit the wants / needs of the group on the day plus the weather.

Parties should choose **TWO** of the following activities

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Activity	Description	Clothing needed	Extra cost per head
Canoeing / kayaking / Raft building Challenge – fun and games on the water	In Canadian canoes / sit on kayaks or all the equipment needed to make rafts for the group.. These canoes fit between 2 – 4 people in them. The lake is only 90 cm deep – max! All participants to wear a helmet and buoyancy aid	All children must bring a complete change of clothes and shoes plus a towel – just in case!	£1.20 per head
Archery	Using a variety of recurve bows in our archery range. All participants will wear an arm guard		£0.50 is you require ZOMBIE PICTURE TARGETS
Tree climbing (<i>for those aged 8 and over</i>)	We have several trees that are ‘top roped’ – as high as 17 metres! Participants will wear a harness and helmet.	Participants should wear long trousers and sleeves as trees are rough – they may cut grazes / cuts.	Nil
Team games e.g. capture the flag, zombie manhunt	Lots of games involving tearing around a set area of forest	Participants should wear ‘stout’ footwear, long trousers and sleeves and woods can be muddy, lots of trip hazards.	Nil
Bushcraft/ Cooking on a fire and whittling	Only suitable for children who can ‘chill out’ round a camp fire (thus not ideal for those who want to tear about!) The group will learn basic fire lighting techniques, make and cook food on a fire and begin some whittling using knives.	Long trousers, sleeves. Warm clothes / coats if cost / wet. We are able to run this under our parachute classrooms if raining	Nil
Shelter / Den Building	The group will have a given time to make a shelter – either in smaller groups or as one big group	As above	Nil
TARZAN TRAIL (similar to Go-Ape) but not as high off the ground – <i>for those aged 9 and over. Min height 1.2m</i>	A fantastic series of challenges high off the ground – including a zipwire. All children will wear a full body harness and helmet and use the SMARTSNAP system – meaning they are <i>always</i> attached to the system.	Long hair should be tied up. No dangly clothing / jewellery	£4.00
Battlezone Archery	For participants aged 8 and above Two teams battle each other using bows with specially equipped arrows that bounce off their victims. Check out the film on our website for more info.	Participants where face masks and hand protectors.	£4.00
Laser Tag	Laser guns, teams and a wooded area – fantastic fun. Lots of different games to play.	Clothing that WILL get dirty	£2.00
Jacobs Ladder and Crate Stack Challenges	For those who have a head for heights and really want a team challenge. Two classic ‘high ropes’ challenges for groups. Jacobs Ladder involves 4 people trying to climb up a series of poles with the gaps increasing the higher they get. Crate Stack – 2 participants build a tower using milk crates – with them on top.	All participants will wear helmets and harnesses	£4.00

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Party Themes!

Using the above menu you could create your own themed party.

Theme	Activities to be booked
Zombie Survival Party	Archery with Zombie Paper Targets followed by Team Games including Zombie Manhunt
Archery War Party	Start on the archery range learning basic bow techniques / accuracy and then move onto a battle between two teams with our 'BattleZone' archery equipment
Weapons through the Ages	Start with BattleZone Archery – teams shooting specially equipped arrows at each other and then move on to Laser Tag
Heights and Water Challenges	Start on either the Tarzan Trail / Tree Climbing or Jacobs Ladder / Crate stack and then move on to a water challenge (Canoe / Kayak or Raft building)

Party Invites

A basic party invite can be downloaded from our website – www.wolt.org.uk - click on Parties and scroll down

Where to meet

A member of our staff will meet up in the main car park by the play-park 15 minutes before the start of the party. To access Brokerswood Country Park you may need to 'buzz' through at the main gate. Please can you inform the parents / carers of the children attending that this is the case.

Can parents stay?

Parents of children attending the party are more than welcome to stay and enjoy the park (and cafe) whilst their children are at the party but they will need to pay the entry fees of £2.75 for children and £3.75 for adults. The entrance fee is payable at the Brokerswood office.

What now?

If you have any more questions about the party please contact the Wiltshire Outdoor Learning Team on either 07789 940971 or info@wolt.org.uk

We will then send you a booking form or you can complete the booking form on-line (search 'WOLT on-line party booking form')