



WENTWORTH WOODHOUSE

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Title: Forest of Bewilderment - Garden volunteer

Hours of work: Wednesday 9.30 - 2.30pm

Responsible to: Assistant Gardener

Garden Volunteer

Project – Forest of Bewilderment

The forest trail is an exciting educational experience encompassing aspects of sustainability and conservation, whilst also 'where possible' accessible to all.

It includes a picnic area with tables designed for both adults and children, with accessible picnic tables for visitors in wheelchairs.

Amongst our activities we have a balance beam sitting alongside a wheelchair friendly balance track, forest music with a series of percussion stations and a large wooden xylophone, big enough to seat groups around.

We have a Beastie Bag trail available, along with backpacks containing, binoculars, magnifying glasses, bug viewers and ID sheets, leading to our Education hub situated on the trail which is set out as a science lab with microscopes for investigations along with lab coats and goggles for dress up!

Mud kitchens, home huts for children to play in and activity tables alongside for crafts.

Role purpose:

- To maintain and monitor the forest trail
- Assist with the delivery of nature-based activities from the education hub and outdoor classroom area on the forest trail
- Work closely with the Assistant Gardener to develop and organise nature-based activities
- Feel comfortable interacting with visitors of all age groups and abilities, happy to discuss nature themed subjects and be comfortable to deliver activities.
- Assist with maintaining the forest trail by the way of daily checks, making sure the trail is safe, tidy and ready for use.
- Be organised and happy to be involved in event days specifically during the School holidays
- Carry out a range of maintenance and seasonal gardening tasks along the trail path.
- Ensure you adhere to the health and safety policies and procedures at all times.
- Participate in in-house training
- Attend where possible quarterly whole department meetings

Alongside gardening tasks, you will need to be a real people person and enthusiastic to support existing and new community engagement activities in the garden at Wentworth Woodhouse.

You will enjoy working with teams of garden volunteers, other work placement students, members of the public and our community and charity partners within the community garden, which focus on positive mental health and wellbeing.