

# An introduction to Forest School activities

## Audience:

KS3; KS4; KS5; Special Needs; Youth Work; Governors.

This course is particularly suitable for secondary schools and youth groups

## Course content:

This course is an ideal introduction to the Forest School concept and the scope of Forest School experiences.

The aim of the course is to explore how the teaching methods and activities used could be applied to your own school/establishment environment or local area.

It also focuses on the use and development of Forest School and woodland style, experiences to re-engage, motivate and inspire disaffected young people, and improve behaviour and self-esteem.

## Learning outcomes:

- To introduce the concept and benefits of Forest Schools.
- Explore child-centred and child-led learning ideas.
- Gain an understanding of the planning and scope of a Forest School long term programme.
- Experience a range of hands-on Forest School activities.
- Discuss your ideas and answer questions.

## Course trainers:

This course is led by Clair Hobson and Scott Woolsgrove from EarthCraftuk. They are highly qualified and experienced Forest School and Bushcraft practitioners who have worked with all age groups, but who have particular experience working with young people with a wide range of issues and needs.

Courses are based at their ancient woodland site at Mount Ephraim Gardens, Faversham.

Dates	Venue
14 October 2011	The EarthCraftuk forest site at Mount Ephraim Gardens, Herne Hill, near Faversham
27 April 2012	The EarthCraftuk forest site at Mount Ephraim Gardens, Herne Hill, near Faversham

Time: 9:15am – 4:00pm

Cost: Kent LA - £100 Academy/Other LA/Independent - £125

Includes: refreshments; **please bring a packed lunch**

(Please note that booking cancellation charges differ from the CPD Online Booking system; see page 31 for details)

**NB:** This course will take entirely outside and you will need to bring appropriate clothing and footwear.

