

# Events & activities



## **Forestry Commission Wyre - Discovery Centre Events 2011**

All events will take place at the Wyre Forest Discovery Centre, Callow Hill, Bewdley Worcs. DY14 9XQ. Many will take place in the new Community Discovery Centre building. Some specific open sessions have been planned so you have the chance to explore this beautiful new resource.

Unless otherwise stated, all children's events

- Are aimed at 5 to 11 year olds. All children under 8 to be accompanied by an adult.
- Require pre-booking on **01299 266929**
- Cost £3.50 per child and run from 10.30 to 12 midday.

Wear suitable clothing and footwear for walking in the forest.

### **Regular events**

**Thursdays in term time - Forest Friends** for pre-school children and their carers. 10am for an hour of forest-based play and activities. £3 per child. No booking required

**Tuesdays and Sundays 11am to 12noon** Join our free **Health Walks** for a morning of fitness-improving exercise and companionship. Come at 10.30am to register on your first walk.

### **Summer Half Term**

**Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> June Den Building** Make yourself a sturdy weatherproof shelter in the forest out of natural materials. Booking essential.

**Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> June Community Discovery Centre Open afternoon 1pm to 3.30pm** plus opportunity to try out our **Positive Solutions Sustainability Trail** around the new building. No booking required.

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> June Dusk Walk. 9pm to 11+pm. £6 per person.** Join us on a summer forest walk to search for creatures such as bats, owls and (possibly) glowworms. Wear warm clothes and bring a torch. Booking essential. Places limited.

**Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup> Introduction to Insects with Rosemary Winnall. 1.30 to 4.30pm. £10 per person.** Adults and interested children of 8 and over. Discover the fantastic diversity of insects that live in Wyre, and why Wyre is so important for biodiversity. A variety of sampling methods will be tried. Booking essential. Places limited.

### **Summer Holidays**

**Family Bushcraft programme.** For families with children of 8 or over. 3 monthly progressive sessions learning bushcraft skills and how to survive in the forest using natural materials, culminating in 24 hours in the forest in August. Subsidised by Grow With Wyre, cost £40 per person. Further details on 01299 266929.

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July Den Building** Make yourself a sturdy weatherproof shelter in the forest out of natural materials. Booking essential.

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July Dinosaur Trail** Follow our dinosaur trail deep into the forest.....! Turn up anytime between 10.30 and 12. £3 per child.

**Monday to Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> August.** 9am to 3.00pm per day. **WILD IN WYRE** for 8 to 11 year olds. £60 per child. 3 full days of fun and adventure in the forest. Activities will include building shelters, camp cookery, making bows and arrows. Booking essential. Places limited. Contact us for more details 01299 266929.

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**Living Wild 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> August** (to include an overnight in the forest!) for 11 to 16 year olds. Adventure in the forest learning bushcraft skills. Please contact us if you want us to send full details 01299 266929. Booking essential.

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August Pond Dip** with pond related games and activities. Dip a net in the forest pond and find out what amazing creatures live in there. Booking essential.

**Fri 5<sup>th</sup> August SHADOW PUPPET WORKSHOP.** This is a magical way of bringing images to life! Working with professional artists, make and use shadow puppets to tell the story of the lives of forest creatures and how they interact. The puppets will be made out of durable materials and they will be simple to operate. 10 to 12 OR 1pm to 3pm £5 per child, OR 10 to 3 £10 per child. Cost subsidised by Grow with Wyre. Booking essential. Suitable for 5 to 11 year olds.

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August Miniature Forest** Create your own miniature forest that you can take back home with you! Bring large OPEN seed tray. Booking essential.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August Treasure Hunt.** Follow a special trail into the forest to discover its natural treasures. Turn up anytime between 10.30 and 12. £3 per child. No booking required.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August Forest Playtime for the Under 5s** Woodland games and activities suitable for the very young. Booking essential.

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August Mud Monsters!** Create a muddy monster to live in the depths of Mud Monster valley in the forest! Booking essential.

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August Family Bushcraft evening.** More details to follow. 5.30pm to 7.30pm. Booking essential.

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August Teddy Bear Trail.** Make your teddy a forest crown, take him on a bear hunt and finish with a zip wire crossing! Bring a teddy (or other cuddly). Any age. Start anytime between 10.30 to 12 midday. £3 per child. No booking required.

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August Woodland Warriors.** A woodland adventure with camouflage and bows and arrows! Booking essential.

**Friday Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> Family Dusk walk.** Explore the forest as night falls. Wear warm clothes and bring a torch. 7pm to 9pm. For families with children aged 7 and over. Booking essential.