FREE TO BE KIDS

PROJECT VOLUNTEERING SCHEDULE 2027

WINTER

Young Leader Training Project

23rd - 24th January

Recurring Respite Projects

Set-Up: 10th - 12th February
Wk1: 12th - 17th February
Wk2: 17th - 22nd February (end of day)
Clear-down: 21st - 22nd February

Orpington, Bromley. Our Easter Thrive Outside gateway projects - these projects will provide a horizon-broadening break for around 20 children per week, aged 8-13. At this stage you can sign up for one or two of the projects, (and we'd love your help with the set up and clear up too!).

Journey Projects

Wk 1: 14th - 17th February (G1 - 26)
Wk 2: 18th - 21st February (G2 - 26)

Gloucestershire. A longer term, more intensive series of residential breaks for children who've already attended a Thrive Outside project. The usual outdoor fun, plus more targeted learning and reflection. Each cohort will join us on 4 projects over a year and so priority will be given to volunteers who can do more than one of their projects throughout the year.

SPRING

Young Leader Training Project

6th - 7th March

Thrive Outside Gateway Projects

Set-Up: 22nd - 25th March
Wk1: 25th March - 31st March
Wk2: 31st March - 6th April
Wk3: 6th - 12th April (5pm finish on final day (as opposed to 11am).
Clear-down: 11th - 12th April

Orpington, Bromley. Our Easter Thrive Outside gateway projects - these projects will provide a horizon-broadening break for around 20 children per week, aged 8-13. At this stage you can sign up for one or two of the projects, (and we'd love your help with the set up and clear up too!).

Journey Projects

Wk 1: 25th March - 30th March (G1 - 27)
Wk 2: 31st March - 5th April (G2 - 27)

Thatcham, Berkshire. Our new cohort for 2027; a longer-term, more intensive series of residential breaks for children who've already attended a Gateway project. The usual outdoor fun, plus more targeted learning and reflection. Each cohort will join us on 4 projects over a year and so priority will be given to volunteers who can do more than one of their projects throughout the year.

SUMMER

Journey Projects

Wk 1: 30th May - 2nd June (G1 - 26)
Wk 2: 3rd May - 6th June (G2 - 26)

Cobham, Surrey. A longer term, more intensive series of residential breaks for children who've already attended a Gateway project. The usual outdoor fun, plus more targeted learning and reflection. Each cohort will join us on 4 projects over a year and so priority will be given to volunteers who can do more than one of their projects throughout the year.

SUMMER (CONTINUED)

Thrive Outside Gateway Projects

Set-Up: 19th – 22nd July
Wk1: 22nd – 28th July
Wk2: 28th July – 3rd August
Wk3: 3rd – 9th August
Wk4: 9th – 15th August
Wk5: 15th – 21st August
Wk6: 21st – 27th August *(5pm finish on final day (as opposed to 11am).*
Clear down: 26th – 28th August

Orpington, Bromley. Our Summer Gateway projects - these projects will provide a horizon-broadening break for around 20 children per week, aged 8-13. At this stage you can sign up for one or two of the projects, (and we'd love your help with the set up and clear up too!).

Thrive Outside Gateway Projects @Foxlease in the New Forest

Set-Up: 1st- 3rd August
Wk1: 3rd- 9th August
Wk2: 9th- 15th August
Clear-down:15th-16th August

Journey Projects @ East Sussex, East Grinstead

Wk 1: 21st - 25th August (G1 - 27)
Wk 2: 26th - 30th August (G2 - 27) *(help also needed with clear up from those who can stay until 30th August)*

AUTUMN

Journey Projects @Orpington Kent

Wk 1: 8th - 10th October (G1 - 26)
Wk 2: 15th - 17th October (G2 - 26)

OCTOBER HALF TERM

Recurring Respite Projects @Orpington Kent

Set-Up: 20th- 22nd October
Wk1: 22nd- 27th October
Wk2: 27th October- 1st November
Clear-down: 31st October- 1st November

Journey Projects @Orpington Kent

Wk 1: 23rd - 26th October (G1 - 27)
Wk 2: 27th - 30th October (G2 - 27)

YES PLEASE! HOW DO I SIGN UP?

If you are a new volunteer: please complete a Volunteer Application Form. Once you submit it, we will email you with details of next steps, including dates for our forthcoming Training and Selection Days.

If you have volunteered with us before: please complete a Returning Volunteer Form. Once you submit it, we will email you to let you know if we have a space for you.

Feel free to email us with any queries at recruitment@freetobekids.org.uk!