

## Volunteer Role Outline

<b>Role title</b>
SCEEC Wildlife Rangers Volunteer
<b>Based at location</b>
Sutton Courtenay Environmental Education Centre
<b>Purpose of the role</b>
To inspire young people to act for wildlife by assisting with Wildlife Clubs - Young Rangers and Teen Rangers at Sutton Courtenay Environmental Education Centre.
<b>Type of work in which you will be involved</b>
<p>Wildlife Ranger sessions are full of wildlife and conservation-themed activities for children with a love of nature and the outdoors. We aim to include activities such as plant and animal ID, bushcraft, including fire lighting and safety, tool use and light conservation work that contributes to the maintenance of the reserve, practical tasks in the teaching garden and nature-themed craft.</p> <p>As a Wildlife Rangers Volunteer you will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Assist Learning Team to deliver Wildlife Clubs for young people aged 8-11yrs &amp; 11-17yrs.</li> <li>2. Contribute to the Wildlife Clubs programming, resource preparation, development, and evaluation.</li> <li>3. Assist with set up and pack down of sessions on the day.</li> <li>4. Communicate with BBOWT Staff and parents of young people.</li> <li>5. Ensure that all health and safety obligations are met in all aspects of the role including safeguarding children and young people.</li> <li>6. Undertake training and attend meetings as agreed.</li> </ol>
<b>Experience and/or qualifications needed</b>
<p>Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience of working or volunteering with upper primary and/or secondary-aged children is beneficial.</li> </ul> <p>Knowledge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A good general interest in wildlife and habitats and a willingness to learn more about them.</li> </ul>

- A good understanding of Health & Safety requirements and welfare issues of supporting children's education.

**Skills:**

- Excellent communication and organisational skills.
- Experience in/knowledge of bushcraft is beneficial but not essential.

**Personal Qualities:**

- Interest in working with children and a passion for education (especially in the outdoors).
- Able to act independently and as part of a team.
- Willingness to show flexibility and resourcefulness.
- Willingness to adopt BBOWT values.

**Times/days we would like you to be available**

Wildlife clubs will run on **one Saturday** of each month.

Volunteering times will be (to include set up and pack down):

If whole day: 9.15am- 4.15pm

Morning only (Teen Rangers): 9.15-12.30pm

Afternoon only (Young Rangers): 12.45pm-4.00pm

Whole day, morning or afternoon volunteering options will be considered dependent on preferences for working with particular age groups or Saturday availability.

Continuity is important both for the staff leading the event and the young people attending. We do not expect a volunteer to be able to attend every session during the year but being able to commit to most sessions would be helpful.

**Benefits to volunteer & possible training opportunities:**

- These clubs provide a unique opportunity to share your knowledge and experience about wildlife and the outdoors with the next generation.
- This busy, hands-on position provides an ideal starting point towards a paid job in environmental education or conservation.
- Joining a great learning team and having the opportunity to learn about the site and its wildlife
- Opportunity to attend internal and external courses, training sessions and workshops



<b>You will be responsible to:</b>
Senior Learning Officer, Sutton Courtenay Environmental Education Centre
<b>Expenses payable:</b>
No
<b>Interview, References or DBS check required:</b>
Informal interview, Enhanced DBS and training in BBOWT Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Code of Practice.





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