



Young People's Puppet Theatre

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Summer Camp Rules

The YPPT summer camp is an opportunity for a group of young people to learn a lot about theatre technique, to learn to work together, and to have a good time. The successful operation of the camp depends on all the participants remaining engaged in what is going on around them, and on behaving in a reasonable manner. The following list of rules is primarily common sense but in an environment where collaboration between children is essential to everyone getting the most out of the experience, the rules do need to be obeyed.

The camp runs from 10am to 5pm Monday to Friday and 10am - 3pm on Saturday. Participating in the get-out (taking down the stage) is optional but parents are welcome to stay and help.

The schedule is as follows:

Monday to Friday

10:00 - 11:30 First session
11:30 - 11:45 Break
11:45 - 13:00 Second session
13:00 - 13:45 Lunch
13:45 - 15:15 Third session
15:15 - 15:30 Break
15:30 - 16:45 Fourth session
16:45 - 17:00 Tidy away

Saturday

10:00 - 11:30 Final run-through
11:30 - 11:45 Break
11:45 - 13:00 Dress-rehearsal (filmed)
13:00 - 13:30 Lunch
13:30 - 15:00 Performance, open to family and friends
15:00 - 15:15 Break
15:15 - 17:00 get-out (attendance optional)

Children are expected to bring their own drinks, snacks and packed lunch. They must not bring any food onto the premises which contains or may contain nuts. Anything appearing to contain nuts will be confiscated. Water will be made available throughout the day.

Children will be expected to remain in the designated part of the building and not to wander off. There is to be no running inside the building. There will be times during the rehearsals where the children will be operating in an environment of reduced lighting. The children will be expected to behave sensibly and safely. As necessary they will be issued with torches.

Weather permitting children will be allowed into the building courtyard during the lunch break. This is an enclosed area. Unfortunately the children will not be able to use the parkland outside Trestle, but are welcome to use it under the supervision of their parents before being dropped off or after being collected.

All children will need to be registered on arrival and will only be released to a recognized adult at the end of the day. Any irregular arrangements concerning collection must be made in advance in writing.



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Any absences from sessions during the week must be called in to 07914-830-730 between 9am and 10am. In the event of anyone on the camp suffering from Covid, a decision will be made as to how we will proceed.

Children will be expected to remain respectful to each other throughout. Bullying and other forms of unacceptable behaviour will not be tolerated. More details are to be found in the YPPT's Behaviour Management Policy.

Adults dropping off / collecting their children are asked to park in the Trestle Arts Base car park off Sovereign Way, and not to park on Russet Drive.

Children are encouraged to wear sensible clothes. They will be moving around a lot during the sessions and will need comfortable (and quiet!) footwear.

The children may spend time painting scenery, and as such may end up getting paint on themselves and their clothes. The paint is water-based and will wash out.

The YPPT prefers that children not bring mobile phones to the Camp. Any phones brought into the building are to be switched off and left off until the end of the day. In particular children may not use their phones to take photos while at the Camp and will be discouraged from playing games on their phones during breaks.

All Camp participants will be given the opportunity to take photos of Camp activities, using a YPPT camera, and all such photos and videos will be used and disseminated only in strict accordance with photo permissions granted by parents and carers.