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Southampton **Children's**
Play Association

Registered Charity 266109

February 2017 Half Term Playschemes

Free of Charge and Open Access

SCPA are running Playschemes during February half term in Harefield and Townhill Park for children aged 5 and over. Children Under the age of 5 years are welcome to attend with an appropriate adult.

The Playschemes are for all children and families to attend free of charge who live in the SO18 area. The Playschemes will be running everyday from Monday to Friday. Sessions will run from 10am until 12pm and 1pm until 3pm.

The Playschemes are Open Access which means children are free to come and go as they wish. There is no need to book places you can just turn up. Each child will be required to get a contact form completed by their appropriate parent/carers.

Townhill Park Playscheme

Moorlands Community Centre, Townhill Way, SO18 3NU

Monday 20th February 2017 & Tuesday 21st February 2017

Harefield Playscheme

The Scout Hut, Bramdean Road, Harefield, SO18 5HW

Wednesday 22nd February 2017, Thursday 23rd February 2017 & Friday 24th February 2017

Playscheme Volunteers Needed

Southampton Childrens Play Association(SCPA) are seeking Volunteer Playworkers from local residents who live in the Harefield and Townhill areas to help run its playschemes, where you can make a real difference to your community.

We are seeking volunteers to help us deliver these Playschemes, we need your help to work alongside paid, trained Playworkers. You will be a valued member of the team and will work together setting up the room with activities, delivering activities, as well as communicating with children and families to ensure we are providing what they want and what they may be asking for. Volunteering within our Playschemes can enhance your own social skills and SCPA can offer you free fun training sessions at a pace to suit you.

Training available - Positive Behaviour Management, Safeguarding Children, Equal Opportunities, Practical Play, Health and Safety, Fire Safety Awareness, Disability Awareness, Inclusion, Ofsted Regulations, and Teamwork Skills. You will receive certificates for all training that you attend. All of the skills are transferable to most jobs and will help build up a profile on your CV.

All staff and volunteers are subject to an enhanced DBS Check and two suitable references. SCPA will pay for this check to be carried out.

Young Volunteers Needed

SCPA are also looking for young volunteers over the age of 12 years to help out at our Playschemes. Young Volunteers can be involved in activities as well as setting up the room and helping the children when needed. Young Volunteers will receive certificates for your efforts and attendance. You will gain valuable experience and training in volunteering which can be used to build up your CV and help you develop your personal skills and lead to paid work.

All young volunteers need a consent form completed by their appropriate parent/carer.

Why the community needs us

Within our playschemes we provide lots of activities all at the same time ranging from arts and crafts, messy play, role play, sports, team games, musical activities, cold cooking and much more! We aim to provide something for everyone every session. SCPA believes every child has the right to freely chosen play and that through play children can develop their Social, Physical, Intellectual, Creative and Emotional skills.

Children will be engaging in outdoor and indoor activities. Children will have the opportunity to play with their peers from different countries, racial, religious backgrounds and different abilities. This raises their awareness of equality acceptance of differences and respect for others.

Our Impact on the Community

Children's independence and confidence to try new activities and experiences is increased by offering a wide range of different activities supported by positive Playworkers. The activities will be enjoyable and stimulating to reduce boredom. As a result of reducing the children's boredom they are less likely to take part in anti social behaviour. Children's social skills will be increased by offering team games and role play activities to encourage socialising with their peers.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact SCPA for an informal chat

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