

**Mushroom Hunting Trip** at Beacon Fell Country Park:

22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024.

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<b>Travel to site</b>	Road traffic accident	Injury to participants during transport	Children and adults	- Vehicle safety checks before travel- Seat belts worn at all times- Route planning	Medium	Ensure children are supervised at all times while exiting vehicles.
<b>Walking in the park</b>	Slips, trips, and falls (uneven terrain, roots, steep slopes)	Sprains, fractures, minor injuries	Children and adults	- Verbal warnings about uneven paths  - Appropriate footwear required  - Slow pace when navigating steep slopes	Medium	Check terrain upon arrival and give a briefing on hazards.
<b>Mushroom foraging</b>	Poisonous mushrooms	Accidental ingestion, allergic reactions	Children and adults	- Briefing on not consuming mushrooms  - Adult supervision at all times  - No tasting at any point  - hand washing after handling	High	Ensure all children understand the risks and the rules around foraging.

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<b>Den building</b>	Falling branches, use of tools	Cuts, scrapes, impact injuries	Children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adult supervision during activity</li> <li>- Safe handling of any materials or tools</li> <li>- Verbal guidance</li> </ul>	Medium	Regular checks on dens for stability.
<b>Crafting with natural materials</b>	Splinters, sharp objects	Cuts, minor injuries	Children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Careful selection of materials</li> <li>- Tools to be used with adult guidance and monitoring</li> </ul>	Low	Provide gloves for children if necessary.
<b>Weather conditions</b>	Cold, rain, strong winds	Hypothermia, slips, falling branches	Children and adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Check weather forecast in advance</li> <li>- Ensure participants wear weather</li> <li>-appropriate clothing</li> <li>- Monitor for signs of cold</li> </ul>	Medium	Cancel event if high winds or extreme weather are forecasted .
<b>Wildlife interaction</b>	Insect bites, stings	Allergic reactions, minor injuries	Children and adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Awareness briefing on local wildlife</li> <li>- Carry first aid kit including</li> </ul>	Low	Monitor for any signs of allergic reactions.

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<b>Sculpture spotting</b>	Slips, trips, falls	Minor injuries from uneven terrain	Children and adults	- Verbal warnings about terrain  - Supervision to ensure children stay on paths	Low	Ensure children walk, not run, near sculptures .
<b>Group management</b>	Getting lost, separation from group	Distress, injury	Children	- Clear boundaries set for the group  - Adult supervision with 1:4 ratio  - Meeting points designated	Medium	Regular headcounts and ensure a designated meeting point is clear to all.
<b>Emergency situations</b>	Injury or illness requiring treatment	Delay in medical attention	Children and adults	- Paediatric first aider present (Hazel Smith)  - First aid kit carried  - Emergency contact numbers available	Medium	Ensure mobile phones are charged and signal is checked upon arrival.

Review on:

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