

Children and Young People's Services



Nottinghamshire
County Council

A Quick Guide to the Play Service

Our Plans

We work to:

- "Building a Future" County Strategy
- National Childcare Strategy
- Notts Play Strategy
- Children & Young Peoples Plan

Other Links:

- National Award Policies (Playwork Training)
- Children's Centres
- Extended Services
- Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership
- Local Strategic Partnerships
- New Opportunities Fund

Our Partners

Our Focus:

- Age group 5-13
- Empowering local communities
- Focus on greatest need
- Aims to be inclusive
- District/Borough Councils
- Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership
- Notts Children's Fund
- Play Forums
- Children and young people
- Play Nottinghamshire



We are:

- play development team
- out of school co-ordinator team
- play training team

We:

- support the child's Right to Play
- bring play to communities
- raise the quality of play
- promote inclusive play
- promote the value of play

We support:

We provide, support, develop and sustain a diverse range of quality play opportunities to meet the needs of children and young people (aged 5–13 years) in Nottinghamshire.



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INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

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PLAY DEVELOPMENT		OUT OF SCHOOL	PLAYWORK TRAINING
<p>A countywide team of Play Development Workers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develops community playschemes • Runs a bank of playworkers • Runs Play Centres (Hawtonville and Eastwood) • Organises Play Days • Provides grant aid to Playschemes • Organises midday Play Training • Organises play projects with schools • Supports the Play Forum network • Is part of "Play Nottinghamshire" • Organises Forest Schools • Supports environmental play • Promotes anti-racist playwork • Supports the Breaks in Partnership scheme 		<p>An Out of School co-ordinator in each District:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develops out of school care clubs • Supports out of school clubs to stay running • Raises quality in out of school care • Promotes inclusive playcare through the "Hands Up for Inclusion" scheme • Supports District Out of School networks • Supports inclusion of children with additional needs • Works to attract new playcare workers • Run child protection training • Support the Breaks in Partnership scheme 	<p>A countywide Team of Playwork Tutors delivers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualification training in Playwork focusing on need and local communities • Courses include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Level 3 NVQ/Diploma ○ Level 2 Cert. in Playwork ○ Level 1 Induction to Playwork • Courses developed include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Therapeutic Play ○ Play and Adventure ○ Forest School ○ Everyone Can Play ○ Soul Seeking ○ Playworkers Against Racism • Tutor training (for Playworkers) • Play Workshops • Midday Play Training for Schools
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