



FOREST SCHOOL
ASSOCIATION



Venue: Danbury Centre, Essex

FSA National Conference and AGM 6pm: Fri 26 Sep to 3pm Sun 28 Sep 2014

Full programme, shared cabin & food: £175 members/£200 non members (other options available). To book visit forestschoollassociation.org/fsa-national-conference-2014/ or contact enquiries@forestschoollassociation.org.

The Only Way Is Forest School – hosted by FSA Essex Fostering & exploring sustainability

Keynote speakers

Phillip Waters Based at the Eden project. Phil has developed a pedagogy called Narrative Journey which explores how children narrate their own nature experience and how narrative can be used as a tool to encourage children's attachments to nature.

Dr Jo Bardon Essex University An experienced and inspiring speaker, Jo is part of the ongoing green exercise programme, and is involved in a wide range of research about the benefits of outdoors eg the positive effects for mental health issues, how to engage disaffected youth groups in wilderness experiences and children's experiences with green spaces and the potential for the work we all do.

Jay Griffiths, author of *Kith: The Riddle of Childscape*, has one simple question: why do our children feel so unhappy? Her main answer lies in the idea of a person's 'home territory', the country or region where they live. For Griffiths, our children have been cooped up indoors, imprisoned in front of their screens and they have lost all contact with their kith – with the woods and the wilds, the mountains and moors, the rivers and streams. That, she argues, is the heart of the problem.

Also: Meet the FSA board and help shape the future of the FSA • Discussion forums • Networking opportunities • Trade stands & swap shop • Moth walk • Story telling around the camp fire • evening bar • folk music with Fishclaw • FSA AGM (Saturday lunchtime)

Workshops

Choice of two from:

- FS & Early Childhood Education for Sustainability
- Foraging
- Yoga Movement & Meditation with Trees
- Living landscapes in FS
- Megatastic Movement
- Intro to IDing Tree Hazards
- Carving Clinic
- Wild Paint and Paper Making
- Good from Woods Research Toolkit
- Storyscapes: the Giant's Underpants!
- Enriching Storytelling
- Worms and other rubbish makers
- Storytelling and making for a Greener World
- Natural cordage
- Houses, dens & sustainable stories
- Whittling, bead making and tree cookies
- 'MyForestSchool' woodland management tool
- Thinking about playing, playing with thinking
- Fire carving
- Nature games

Places limited – OPEN FOR BOOKINGS NOW

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