

Wolves Play Café

The Playce Project Stories

We didn't know the Garden was here before we came to the session.

Why do you come to Wolves Play Café and Wolves in the Woods?

It works really well as a Wednesday which is non-working day. E really enjoys being outside. We're really lucky we've got a garden but it's not very interactive for this age. Here there's loads of things she can do. She plays pretty safely, independently. And, she loves, every morning she asks "Is it nature play day?" And I have to say, no not till Wednesday. And at the weekends you want to come too. We had E's birthday party here and so many Mums were saying it's the best place they've been to. They'd never been to anything like this, it was nice to be outside rather than another soft play party.

What do you get out of it, as well as your little one?

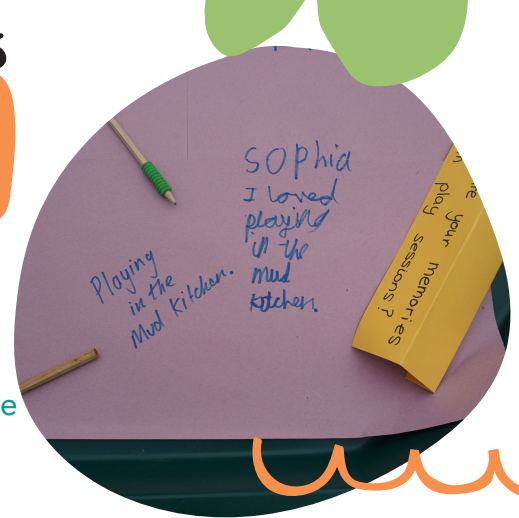
Oh, I love it too. We get a couple of hours outside, get to speak to the staff, who are really, really good. We have a lovely time, it's lovely to see E playing on her own and making lots of new friends. And learning lots of new skills.

Have you seen your little one problem solve or use any investigation skills when playing here?

Oh, she does it all the time. We were looking at the things in the water tray and seeing what floats and what sinks. Playing with the pulley system, moving the things from left to right.

Have you done any similar activities when you're at home or out and about? Have you carried on growing anything?

Oh, growing definitely. We've had some really good success, haven't we? We water our plants regularly in the evening. So we talked about the water cycle and things we read about in your books. We've managed to grow some nasturtiums. Our marigolds are almost flowering, our sweet pea's flowering. There's lots of things we've learned, the life cycle of the frogs. We really enjoyed looking at the frogs and the froglets every week. We've learned about butterflies, we've downloaded an app and you're now spotting them in the garden.



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