



Terrain d'Aventure du Péri (2010-BEFR-37)

Organisation

Le Terrain d'Aventure du Péri (The Adventure Playground of Peri) has been created in 1977, thanks to the involvement of passionate people, parents and neighbours, for whom it was important to offer to children a new space of freedom as an alternative to the technical progress and modernity they judged socially unfair.

The adventure playground is open to all young people, from 5 to 26 years old. It is a place dedicated to the self-development and the community life, a place where children can learn and experiment without pressure.

Nearly everyday, between 10 and 60 children gather there to share a lot of activities : outdoor games, table games, sheds building, do-it-yourself, cooking workshops, artistic workshops, gardening... All these activities must help them to develop their autonomy, responsibility, critical sense and solidarity.

There is no obligation to be active and there is no result/production to reach in the adventure playground. The most important is to share and to exchange with the other ones.

In order to avoid any exclusion for socio-economical reason, the access to the adventure playground is totally free of charge.

The playground is recognised as youth centre by the French community of Belgium. It follows a mission of education to an active and solider citizenship. Seven youth workers are employed by the organisation, most of them at part time job.

Tasks

In our project, the volunteer will be all the time in contact with children and young people. He/she will launch, lead and follow several activities. These ones can be various and will depend of his/her ideas, wishes, skills... They will always suppose a democratic participation of the children who have the right to choose and make proposals.

Usual activities in the Adventure Playground are:

Artistic workshops: painting, sculptures, theatre...

Creative/participative workshops: cooking, sewing, handicraft, shed buildings, story telling...

Games: outdoor games, sport games, table games ...

Outdoor activities: nature discovering, gardening, and so on



The volunteer will also help us in the maintenance of the Playground (small reparations, painting, grass cutting..) and may give a support for some administrative tasks. He/she will also help us when we'll participate in special events and/or organise punctual projects with other partner organisations: carnaval, local fest, shed symposium, international workcamp...

The Playground is open six days in a week:

Monday 15-18 pm; Tuesday 15-18 pm ; Wednesday 13-18 pm; Thursday 15-18pm ; Friday 15-20 pm ; Saturday 10-17pm. During the school holidays, it is open everyday (excepted Sunday) from 10 am to 17 pm.

The volunteer will work 30 hours a week and will have flexible schedule.

Project time

EVS activity will start on 01/02/2012 for a duration of 12 months

Location

The Adventure Playground is located in Liège, the second biggest city of the French Community of Belgium (community that includes the regions of Wallonia and Brussels). There are 190 000 inhabitants in Liège, and almost 450 000 more in its surrounding.

Liège is an old industrial city that is changing a lot in its adaptation to the 21st century. Well renovated historical areas are mixed with old industrial buildings and very modern architectural projects. The city faces serious problems of unemployment and poverty, but also benefits from a very dynamic cultural life thanks to its various artists and associations. It is located on the border of the river "La Meuse", close by the German and the Dutch borders.

The Adventure Playground in itself is a wonderful green area of 8 000 m² located on the top of the city. It is full of grass, trees and sheds build by several generations of children.

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