

## Level 3 Certificate for Forest School Leaders FSTC 12 Day Modular Course Details for Norfolk course, starting in January 2018

Please ensure you have read our '**Level 3 Course Information Guide**' (available on our website) in conjunction with this flier. The information Guide contains full details about the content, commitment and assessment methods of our level 3 Forest School training course.

### Course Dates & Locations:

Course Component	Date	Number of Days	Location
Immersion	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2018	1	Holt Hall
Module 1	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> & Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2018	2	Holt Hall
Module 2	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	2	Holt Hall
Module 3	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> , Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	3	Holt Hall
Module 4	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> & Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2018	2	Holt Hall
Module 5 (camp out)	Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> June & Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2018	2	Holt Hall
Delivery Assessment	TBA during training – estimated to be October 2018	0.5	At your Forest School site
Final Hand-in	1 <sup>st</sup> December 2018	n/a	n/a

### Timings:

- Immersion & Modules 1-4 = 9am to 5pm
- Module 5 (Woodland Camp Out) = 10am Saturday till 4pm Sunday. The activities during the days are course requirements but the overnight stay in the woods is optional (although we hope that by this point in the course you would like to!)
- Delivery Assessments = To be arranged with an assessor, once you have arranged your introductory Forest School programme.



### Venue – Holt Hall Environmental & Outdoor Learning Centre

Holt Hall is an outdoor centre owned by Norfolk County Council on the outskirts of Holt. We will be using a self-contained training room and an area of their beautiful woodland for the training modules. You can find out more about the venue here: [www.holthall.org.uk](http://www.holthall.org.uk)

### Students wishing to 'Top up'

The modular format of training is designed to be flexible to meet learners needs, therefore it is possible for students who have recently gained a level 2 Forest School Qualification to 'top-up' their training to level 3. Ideally the level 2 qualification will have been gained within 2 years before the start date of the level 3 course and was undertaken with FSTC. If you did your level 2 with a different training provider and wish to 'top-up' please contact us before booking to discuss options. All students are encouraged to attend the immersion day at the start of the course, but then people who have done level 2 can omit Module 1 & 2.

**Please note that we no longer can offer a 'top up' to people who have previously completed the level 1 training due to recent changes to the units of the qualification.**

## Prices

FSTC prices are fully inclusive of all course costs, including; qualification registration & certification, marking & moderation, administration, course support resources & access to equipment, student website access, and tutorial support. There are no 'hidden extras' and we do not charge our students for late submission of work (unless the submission date has gone beyond what is required by the moderators).



	Number of Training Days attended	Cost of course*
Level 3 Full Course	12	£1,220
Level 2 to 3 'Top Up'	6	£870

*\*Delivery Assessments – at level 3, students are assessed for leadership skills by an assessor travelling to the student's FS site & observing practice. We also use this visit as an opportunity to provide tailored advice and support to students about their Forest School site & situation to help them action plan for future development. In order to provide this service, an additional charge of £75 plus 40p mile is levied for students working outside a 30-mile radius of the training venue.*

## Value Added Features of our training course

We care about the quality of our training and the Forest School practice which ultimately results from it. There is a wide range of Forest School training available in the UK and we want to ensure that our course is right for the students that choose to undertake their training with us. Our training course aims to support aspirant Forest School Leaders every step of the way. Some of the additional benefits that our training offers are:

- **Modular Format** – making learning more manageable, working through the seasons
- **Delivery Assessments** – we visit you at your Forest School to give you tailored feedback and support relevant to your situation for your future development
- **Nationally recognised Qualification** – we use the most up to date Forest School qualification units. These are the national standard and on the RQF.
- **Outdoor living experiences** – through the immersion day and woodland camp out
- **Online Services** – Student password protected web pages & resources,
- **Ongoing Support** – 'Tutor on call' days & woodland practical practice days
- **Free 1 year student membership** to the Forest School Association

## First Aid

Level 3 students will need to hold an appropriate Outdoor First Aid certificate (we recommend doing one that is at least 16 hour and that covers the age groups you intend on working with) before they run their introductory Forest School Programme (after module 5). In Norfolk, a specialist trainer regularly offers a 16 hour first aid for Forest School course hosted by the Norfolk FSA local group. Please check their website for forthcoming courses - [www.fsanorfolk.wixsite.com/fsan/upcoming-events](http://www.fsanorfolk.wixsite.com/fsan/upcoming-events)

## How to Book

Please complete and submit the online registration form. Please ensure you have read our Terms and Conditions before applying, found on our website [www.forestschoolltraining.co.uk](http://www.forestschoolltraining.co.uk)

Before making a booking we **strongly recommend** that you ensure that Forest School is the most appropriate type of Outdoor Learning for your situation (there are numerous different outdoor approaches). You can do this by:

- Reading about the Forest School philosophy – [www.forestschoollassociation.org](http://www.forestschoollassociation.org)
- Read about the wider context of outdoor learning - <https://www.outdoor-learning.org/Good-Practice/Research-Publications/About-Outdoor-Learning>
- Visiting existing Forest School Programmes & talking to leaders - [www.fsanorfolk.wixsite.com/fsan](http://www.fsanorfolk.wixsite.com/fsan)
- Watch a video explaining its ethos - <https://youtu.be/nqrrWQi0NxY>

Please **contact us** if you would like to discuss anything – [admin@forestschoolltraining.co.uk](mailto:admin@forestschoolltraining.co.uk)