

# **Den Building risk assessment**

## **Routine risk management protocols**

- All members of Tyggwhistle staff have received first aid training.
- A fully stocked First Aid kit is maintained on site and transported into woodland during sessions.
- The ratio of children to one adult is never more than 6, for children under 8, or 10 for children over 8 years old.
- A laminated emergency procedure card is carried by all staff and posted on the wall of the indoor classroom.

# **Description of the Activity**

Building dry, enclose spaces from sticks, leaves, tarpaulins and cords.

#### **Benefits**

- Participants develop an understanding of structure and tensile strength.
- Participants learn to tie knots appropriate to their needs.
- Participants learn to handle natural materials safely.
- ٠ Participants learn to manipulate natural materials to create functional objects.
- . Students gain a sense of achievement from the activity.

## **Risk Measurement guidance** Likelihood x severity

#### Likelihood

- 1. Only in extraordinary conditions
- 2. Rarely
- 3. Occasionally
- 4. Often
- 5. Every time activity is undertaken

## **Severity**

- 1. Reassurance but no intervention
  - 2. First aid required on site
- 3. Non-emergency hospital visit
- 4. Emergency hospitalisation

#### 5. Fatality

Responses to risk						
Score	Response					
1-5	Acceptable risk					
5-12	Acceptable risk with increased supervision and mitigation					
12+	Unacceptable risk and should not be carried out without extensive mitigation					

	Group	Risk assessment				
Hazard	at risk	likelihood	severity	risk	Activity specific control measures	
A participant is crushed by a falling log.	All	2	5	10	All participants are briefed before	
A participant sustains stings, abrasions or cuts from natural material.	All	5	1	5	<ul> <li>All participants are briefed before activity on safe structure building.</li> <li>Pre activity resource check assess handling risks.</li> </ul>	
A participant sustains sprains or pulled muscles from handling heavy materials.	All	1	5	5	<ul> <li>Participants are made aware of recommended handling limits (using approximate practical examples) according to age:         <ul> <li>5-8: 1 kg</li> <li>8- 11: 2kg</li> <li>11-15 4kg.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
					<ul> <li>Participants will be supervised when handling or securing of larger items are required.</li> </ul>	