



### Bugtastic tips for hosting a successful children's party.....

It's that time of year again...your child's birthday party...YIKES! Here are some tips the Bugs have found useful in the past.....Hope they help!

**Community Halls and local churches** usually **rent out rooms** for **children parties**. We know **lots of them**....drop us a line and we'll give you **some ideas**.

If you are having the party **at home**, **push back furniture** and store **away rugs, breakables** etc

**A party in the park**: lovely idea when **the sun is shining**- we would suggest having lots of **adult supervision!** A **piñata** is a great idea for an **outdoor party**.

Don't forget your **camera!**

Make sure you have **lots and lots of games** up your sleeve ...**more than you think you'll need**- best to be **over prepared!** Traditional games like **Pass the Parcel, Treasure Hunt and Musical Bumps/Chairs** usually go down a treat!

We find it **works well** if you can sprinkle a **few quieter games** in there too- well known ones **like Charades** will do the trick and give **everyone's head** a little **quiet time**...for a few minutes at least!

Don't **spend too long** on any one game.

If you are playing **elimination games**, it's a good idea to have a **small prize** to give **each child** as they get **eliminated**...it takes the **sting out of it a little!**

Have a **separate area** for the **mums and dads** to wait so **they can chat** and socialise **without getting noisier** than the children!

Try to ensure **that everyone at the party** gets at least one **go at a game**

Don't forget the **music**- you will **need it for some games**

**Hope that helps a little! If it still sounds like too much hassle- give us a ring, we'll come and do it for you!**

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