



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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