

CREATIVE DAYS: CREATIVITY ON TAP!



Planned teacher absences, topic introduction days, or a class treat...Bigfoot's here to help!

GO 'MANTLE' DAYS

Bigfoot believes that at the heart of all high quality learning experiences is the opportunity for children to actively engage with people, places and situations. By encouraging students to become part of the story, we can help them understand more intricately about themselves and the world in which they live.

Mantle of the Expert is the inspirational work of the late Dr Dorothy Heathcote, who transformed how drama could be used to bring alive any topic or theme by enabling children to become 'Experts' in any chosen field. The entire process of Mantle is about child ownership and making learning inquisitive, creative and exciting. All projects, whether just one day covering a teacher absence, or as part of a three day project introducing a topic to a whole year group, culminates with the children, in the guise of a company, providing a solution for their client.

Schools can opt for one of the following 'Go Mantle' workshops for KS1 or KS2. Alternatively, we are happy to write a bespoke 'Go Mantle' workshop for your school based on any suitable topic.

COST: Full day: £235 plus VAT (Book a block of 6 @ £205 a day) Half Day: £165 plus VAT

“ Within a few minutes of the lesson starting the children were working in active collaboration with each other, sharing ideas, talking animatedly, drawing, writing and making plans. Learning was happening everywhere [and] it was emerging in all directions, both from the children and the adults, driven by the needs of the context. ” **Tim Taylor, Teacher**

* Please contact Bigfoot for a comprehensive up to date list of plans on offer. Should you require a bespoke workshop, an additional one off fee of £50 plus VAT will be added to your booking fee to cover research and planning costs.

Our Past

(history & heritage):

- Egyptian Tomb Raiders
- The Roman Box Archaeology Team
- Greek Gods Research Team
- Guy Fawkes Surveillance Team
- Great Fire of London Fire Squad
- Henry VIII Tudor Banquet Team
- Museum Task Force; Habitats through history (Celts, Romans, Saxons and Tudors)
- World War 2
- The battle of Bosworth
- Magellan; An age of discovery

Ourselves

(like each of us, this is an eclectic range of options!):

- Zoo Keepers
- Space Research Company
- Toymakers Shop
- Hansel and Gretel Rescue Team
- Super Hero School Creators
- Mathematical Kids Television Company
- Pirates Cove

Our World

(geography, animals and ecology):

- Gorilla Expert Team
- Indian Villagers; tigers attack!
- Siberian Tiger Expert Team
- Amazon Survival Team
- Fair Trade Caribbean Farmers
- Eco beach Clean Team
- Dinosaurs LIVE!
- Nature Detectives and the giant beanstalk!
- Deep Sea adventurers
- The Hunter
- Polar Lands

Bringing texts to life:

- The Lorax
- Peter Pan
- The Tunnel (Anthony Browne)
- Shakespeare's Players
- Hansel and Gretel

* **Bigfoot is the only UK wide company that can currently offer Mantle based learning to schools. We are, therefore, proud to say that all our 'Bigfooters' have been trained so that they can join the small handful of Mantle providers.**



'BUZZ' DAYS

Since 2003 Bigfoot has been renowned for providing schools with a creative alternative to using a supply agency to cover planned and unexpected teacher absence. We have now broadened this offer so that these one off drama, music, art or dance focused days can be booked with or without the teacher present....and based on any topic at all!

Bigfoot's 'Buzz Days' utilise the expertise of a trained Bigfooter who will bring with them an imaginary kit bag of inspiring activities that will enthuse your students about a chosen topic or theme...and all based on the curriculum! We can work with the same group all day, or a number of classes delivering a variety of different workshops throughout the school day.

All Bigfooters are experienced professional arts facilitators who have been trained to help equip your students with the skills to investigate, discuss and practically explore any given topic creatively. All we ask is that the students be brought to and from the working area (classroom or hall), as well as registered, by a member of school staff, and we'll do the rest! And if you've a TA or teacher present, we'll happily share our skills and techniques with them, as well as provide a workshop plan when we leave so that the work can continue after our visit.

Schools can opt for one of our tried and tested workshops, or ask us to create a bespoke 'Buzz Day'. Please see below for an example of what we can deliver in your school:

COST: Full day: £230 plus VAT (Book a block of 6 @ £200 a day) Half Day: £160 plus VAT

NB: We can deliver a maximum of two 'Buzz day' topics in a day with any number of class groups

“ We use Bigfoot as our first port of call for teacher cover or 'hook days'. The staff are friendly, professional and prepared to work in challenging conditions. Most of our pupils are EAL and since using Bigfoot in our school we have seen them improve in their speaking and listening skills and in their overall confidence. ” **Jenny Woodrow, Headteacher at Heathbrook**

MUSIC:

(please also see our 'Music' flier for further details)

- Funk Junk Orchestra
- Our school symphony
- Film soundtrack
- Time travel
- Around the world
- Journeys
- Seasons and the great outdoors
- Colours
- Money and the music in our everyday
- Clocks and time

ART:

(please also see our 'Visual Art' flier for further details)

- A ship called success; Transition/ PSHE
- Threads of Memory; Journeys/ Multicultural
- Wall of Protest; BHM/ Multicultural
- Telling stories with clay; Shakespeare/Literacy
- The interconnected world; Cyber safety/ PSHE

DRAMA:

- Toys from the past; History
- The great fire of London; History
- Hero Days; BHM/ History
- Myths and Legends; Literacy
- Intro to Shakespeare; Literacy
- An African Tale; Literacy
- Going Green; Geography
- Volcanoes and Earthquakes; Geography
- Moving People; Geography
- The Human Body; Science
- Earth, Sun and Moon; Science
- Inventions and Machines; Science
- Big Steps; Transition/PSHE
- Cyber Safety; PSHE
- Respect; PSHE



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