

# Growing Community Roots: School of Play & Friends of Davyhulme Park

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## Introduction

At School of Play, community is at the heart of everything we do. That's why our collaboration with Friends of Davyhulme Park (FODP) is so special. FODP is a dedicated group of volunteers committed to enhancing the park's beauty and fostering a vibrant community space.

Together, we host family-friendly events that bring people together, create connections, and celebrate the joy of outdoor play. Our partnership is more than just about events—it's about enriching lives through shared experiences in this cherished green space.



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## The Idea Behind Our Collaboration

Our partnership with Friends of Davyhulme Park naturally evolved from our deep-rooted connection with the local community. We already host two of our popular holiday camps in the area, run before and after school clubs at a nearby school, and provide after-school sports sessions across various other local schools. With these established ties, it made perfect sense to team up with FODP to further engage the families we work with regularly. Together, we

aim to bring more joy and opportunities for connection to this vibrant community.

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## **The Benefits of Our Partnership:**

### **1. Engaging Families in Community Events**

Our collaboration has brought to life events like family fun days, where children and parents alike can enjoy outdoor games, activities, and the simple pleasure of being in nature. These gatherings are more than just play; they're a way to build a sense of belonging among community members, encouraging everyone to take an active role in their shared space.

### **2. Supporting Volunteer Efforts**

We're not just event hosts; we're also active supporters of FODP's mission. By joining the park's special events, our team brings exciting, free activities that keep families engaged and children entertained, adding extra fun to the community experience! Our involvement showcases the power of collective effort in making the park a better place for everyone.

### **3. Fostering a Sense of Community**

Every event we host with FODP strengthens community ties. The park becomes more than just a green space—it's a hub where neighbours meet, kids play, and connections flourish. Our work together exemplifies how local partnerships can enhance community spirit and create a safe, engaging environments for all.

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## Truly Making Memories to Last a Lifetime

Our recent summer family event at Davyhulme Park was a testament to what can be achieved when we come together. Families enjoyed a day full of outdoor games, crafts, sports, laughter, and community connection. As always, our focus was on bringing people together to enjoy the simple joys of outdoor play and connection.



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## Testimonial from Friends of Davyhulme Park

*"The community is really important to FODP volunteers. We strive to improve the park so that all individuals within our community can benefit from and enjoy this wonderful green space."*

*"We love it when School of Play comes onto the park, and we can see children enjoying the simple pleasure of playing outdoor games in a safe environment. New friends are made, and happy memories shared."*

— Susan Gould, Organiser, Friends of Davyhulme Park

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## Get Involved!

We're excited to continue our work with Friends of Davyhulme Park and would love to see more of our community members join us. Whether you want to volunteer, attend an event, or simply enjoy the park, there's a place for everyone. To learn more or get involved, reach out at [info@schoolofplay.org.uk](mailto:info@schoolofplay.org.uk).

Together, we can make our community stronger, one park day at a time.

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## The Impact So Far

- **Community Engagement:** Our events have brought hundreds of families together, creating a lively atmosphere in the park and encouraging active participation.
- **Enhanced Park Experience:** Through our combined efforts, the park is more beautiful, welcoming, and enjoyed by all who visit.
- **Stronger Bonds:** Our partnership has fostered connections that extend beyond the park, building a stronger sense of community.