

**The Play Leader Award** is a welcome to the world of volunteering!

The objectives of the course include:

- learning about the qualities of good leadership: Responsibility, Organisation, Communication, Enjoyment, Safety and Cooperation.
- learning about the principle of STEP or PACE
- what it means to take responsibility for running an activity
- to design an activity for a group of their peers and for younger children.

The outcomes include:

- being able to identify the key skills of being a good leader
- understanding the STEP principle & being able to apply in small activities
- Understand how decisions around STEP can help them plan and run successful play activities

Benefits for both schools and leaders include:

- Raising of self-esteem,
- Provides motivation and encourages all children irrespective of sporting ability.
- Impacts on pupil behaviour at break/lunchtime through 'structured' informal activity
- helps young people to develop into successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens.