

GEMS (0-2 YEAR OLDS) - PARENTS' SURVIVAL GUIDE

This guide is designed to help you and your children get the most out of the week. We hope it will help you find your way around and understand the registration system.

HOW TO REGISTER

Step 1 Arrive in your village, meet your village host and make yourselves comfortable.

Step 2 Put on your ID badge – you must have it at all times.

Step 3 Check your Programme for the registration times for your children.

Step 4 Bring your registration forms with you, and be prepared to add additional names for your child's collection. It's fine for someone else to collect your child but we need your permission.

Step 5 Join the queue at the Gems venue - and be patient! Registration takes time. For the security of all the children on site we must get it right.

Registration

We've moved location! We're now next to the White camping villages, across from the Arena. You will be greeted by the Gems leader and team members who will show you to the correct marquee. We have four marquees: Pearls (yellow) for under 1s, Emeralds (green) and Opals (white) for under 2s, Sapphires (blue) for under 3s. Your child will be assigned a small group, and will be with this group all week.

At the registration desk you will be given:

- A named wrist band for your child, to be worn at all times.
- A buggy label with your child's group number on it. Please write your surname and your child's small group number on the back of this label.
- A sheet of daily contact slips. These must be filled out every day with your contact details and where you will be on site.
- A red card and a coloured card, to fill out with information such as your child's name, camping village, and the names of the adults who have permission to collect.

You will need to give us your **Child's New Wine Gems Passport** with essential information already filled out.

You will then have registered your child!



DAILY SESSIONS

Dropping off your child - the COLOURED card will be given to you as you leave. Do not lose it – it is vital for collecting your child.

We will have 3 hours together; please provide your child with a small snack (allergy friendly) drink, wipes and nappy, all clearly labeled. We will keep these in a lidded box ready for when we have our picnic time.

Collecting your child - you must have the COLOURED card and your ID badge. When you collect your child, this card will be swapped for a red card. On leaving the marquee with your child, the red card will be collected and your name badge checked. This is a double security check.

CHILDREN WILL ONLY BE RELEASED WITH THE CORRECT ID CARDS

Our marquees are SHOE-FREE ZONES. It's an agricultural showground after all – let's not bring in whatever's lying around on the fields!

Buggies have their own parking area. Please leave changing bags, plus any extra food and drinks in the buggy.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES ON SITE

Check your Programme for family activities and times. Stepping Stones for under 5s begins with Dawn Space for early risers and then throughout the day at session times. You will need to stay with your child for this.

USEFUL THINGS TO BRING

- A buggy with rain cover. The site is huge!
- A travel cot or play pen for young children in case the ground is muddy.
- Jars of food - easy and safe without a fridge.
- Cartons of prepared milk.
- Wet wipes - lots of them!
- A spare flask for boiled water, kept topped up.
- Babysitters!

If you are running out of dry clothes for your baby, do ask to use Gems' tumble dryer.