

FUN FEST CHALLENGE

2026 EDITION

Badges cost £1.25 each and the challenge is full of festival themed activities and although perfect for the summer term it can be completed in the winter months to add some colour and fun to darker evening meetings. It makes a great camp or sleepover theme. It could be used over a few evening meetings, culminating in a 'festival disco'.

There are 4 sections to this badge:

- Festival Fashion
- Groovy Games
- Cool Crafts
- Fantastic Food



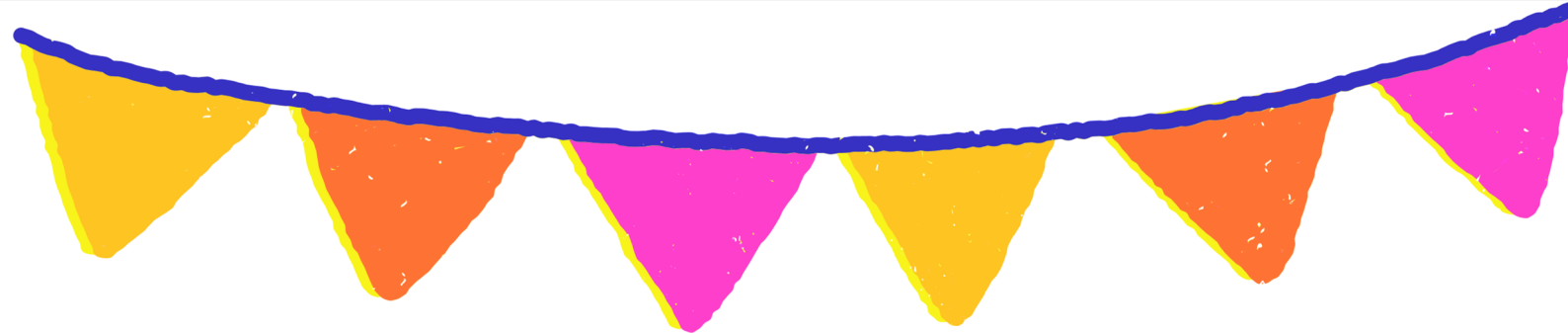
To earn the badge::

Rainbows: Complete 5 activities (at least one from each section).

Brownies: Complete 7 activities (at least one from each section).

Guides: Complete 9 activities (at least two from each section).

Rangers: Complete 11 activities (at least two from each section).



FUNDS

This badge was created by 3 Guides (triplet sisters) in Fleet Division (Hampshire North) both because it is great fun to complete but also to raise money to fund international trips with Girlguiding South West Region in the summer of 2023. The idea for this challenge badge was born in the summer of 2022 and the newly designed 'Fun Fest Challenge' was used to theme their unit guide camp. Many of the photos are from that camp.

Profits from sales of the badge are now used to support Fleet Division Guide Hall and members of Fleet division.

FESTIVAL FASHION

Bin bag outfit competition

Get into groups or work individually to see who can make the best outfit out of a black bin bag only using scissors, tape and a few embellishments (e.g. gems, pom poms).

Henna

Have a go at decorating your body in henna (can be easily bought online). Come up with your own design or use Pinterest for inspiration. Here are some that we have done...



Face paint

Try different designs and bright colours to create your best festival look.

Hair Braiding

Experiment with some different festival hairstyles.

Jazz up your shoes

Give your shoes a makeover so they look festival ready.

Face Glitter

Add some shimmer by creating your own designs in glitter.

Hair Tinsel

Add shining streaks to your hair for a glamorous look. Find out more by looking up tutorials.

GROOVY GAMES

Design a playlist

In teams put together a playlist of 20 songs and vote to see which team's is best rated.

Giant Bubbles

Create giant bubbles with the extra challenge of seeing who can make the biggest bubble.



Neon Disco

Hold a neon disco and decide who has the most vibrant outfit. Listen to your playlists and try out some moves!

Song challenges

Play team games involving song lyrics. Try 'Finish the Lyrics' (state a song lyric and teams must continue the words) or 'Song Association' (teams are told a word and have to sing a lyric with that word in it).

Mocktail Making

Design and make your own mocktail. Taste each other's concoctions and rate them out of ten. Crown the winners the best mixologists. [LINK TO GUIDE MIXOLOGY BADGE.](#)

Lip Sync Battle

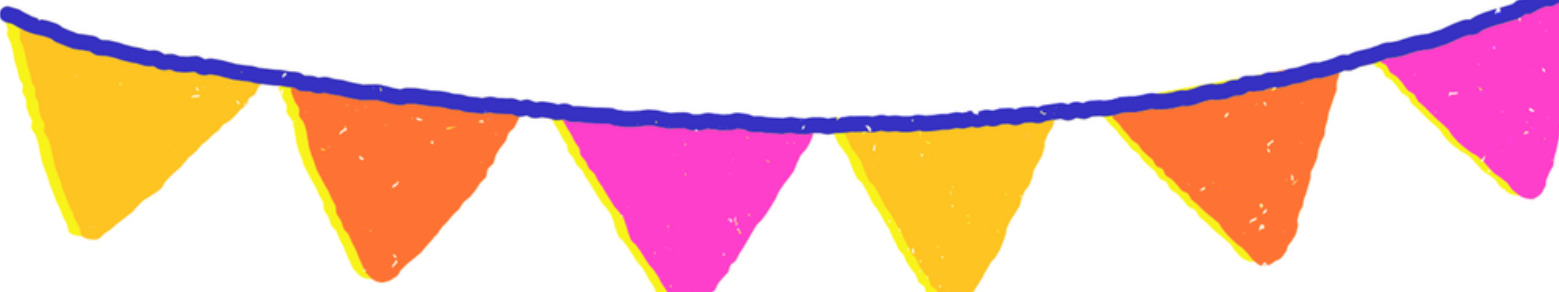
Who can lip-sync the best to their favourite songs?

Tent Pitching

Learn how to pitch a tent. For a challenge blindfold one member of your team or try to pitch the tent with team members with legs tied together.

Welly Wanging

Who can throw their welly the furthest?



COOL CRAFTS

BUNTING

Decorate a string of bunting to hang on a tent as if you were camping at a festival.

FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS

Try out some different ways to make a friendship bracelet. (See badge tips).

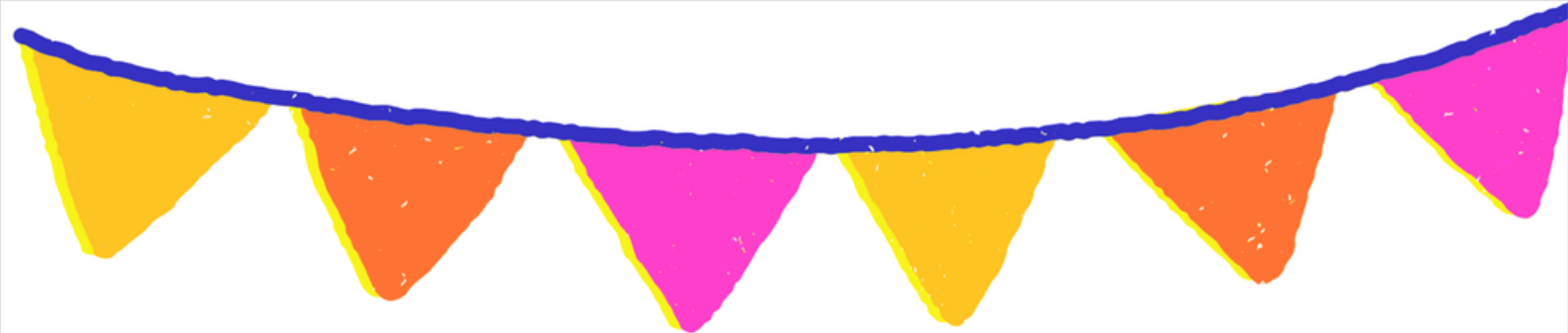
FLOWER GARLAND

Make your own summery Hawaiian leis by cutting out lots of paper flowers in lots of colours and threading them onto string. Use beads (pony beads, hamma beads) to thread on between the paper flowers.



DESIGN A T-SHIRTS

Create your own designs on a t-shirt using bleach (See badge tips) or have a go at Tie dying - twist and or scrunch a white top and tie it up with elastic bands, then add dye to make a bright design. Ideas can be found here: <https://sarahmaker.com/how-to-tie-dye/>



COOL CRAFTS

DESIGN A TICKET

Using paper, card and your artistic skills, design and draw a ticket for your festival.

SUPER SUNGLASSES

Decorate a pair of sunglasses using adhesive gems and sparkles so that you can look festival-ready!



LANTERNS

Turn a jam jar into a lantern with some PVA glue and tissue paper. You could use these at a campfire, to make a promise ceremony special or to light up your festival party. Pop a tealight inside to light up your lantern.

[LINK TO GUIDE UPCYCLING BADGE.](#)

FANTASTIC FOOD

CAMPFIRE POPCORN

Pop your own corn over a fire. You need to place a small handful of popcorn kernels with a small amount of oil in a tin foil parcel or two metal cake cases secured together. Give the kernels room to 'pop'. Place these foil parcels in the embers of your fire and listen to the corn 'popping'. After cooking flavour using either icing sugar, salt or both.



PIZZA POCKETS

This tasty treat that is perfect to cook over a fire. Take a wrap or pitta bread cut in half and spread with tomato pizza sauce, sprinkle with grated cheese and toppings of your choice (ham, sweetcorn, pineapple etc.) - just like a pizza. Fold up (if using a wrap) and wrap in tin foil and place in fire embers. Carefully turn regularly using tongs. Depending on the heat of the fire, you may need two minutes on each side of the pizza. Try the first pizza you cook for a minute and then unwrap to see how well it is doing and judge for yourself.

[LINK TO GUIDE BACKWARDS COOKING BADGE](#)

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FANTASTIC FOOD

DAMPERS or HOT DOG DAMPERS

Make the campfire favourite - dampers. Sweetened bread dough wrapped around a stick and cooked in the fire. Once cooked you slide the dough off the stick and put jam or chocolate spread in the hole in the middle - delicious!

Spice up a normal frankfurter by wrapping it in damper dough and cook it over a fire.

STREET FOOD

Make either nachos, tacos, burritos or fajitas to experience food you would eat at a festival.

KEBABS

Roast kebabs of onion, pepper and any other vegetable of your choosing over a fire.

S'MORES

The ultimate campfire delight. Toast marshmallows over a fire and squish between two chocolate digestive biscuit with the chocolate touching the marshmallow so it melts.

LEMONADE

Mix some lemon, sugar, water and ice together to make a cool, refreshing drink.



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BADGE TIPS ... GROOVY GAMES

GIANT BUBBLES

Bubble Recipe:

12 cups water

1 cup of fairy liquid

(the brand name works best)

1 cup of cornflour

2 tablespoons of baking powder

** 1 teaspoon of secret ingredient (email us for details of this!)

Method:

Heat up one cup of cornflour with one cup of water to make a kind of sauce then slowly mix in the remaining eleven cups of water. Stir gently so you don't create bubbles. Let it sit for an hour before use. Mix in a bucket.

Make 5 buckets of the mixture (5 lots of the ingredients) to keep a unit of girls busy for an hour!



50cm

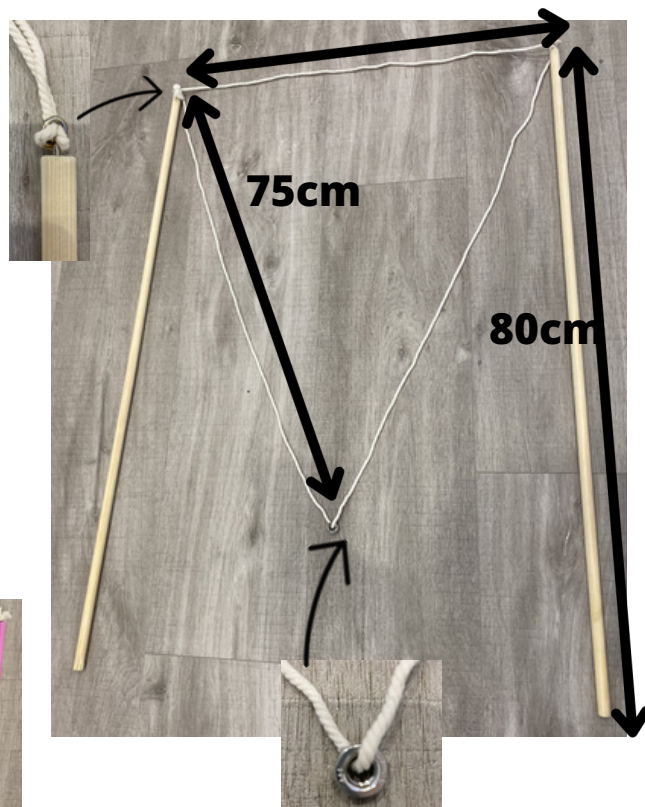
Bubble Wands

You can make your own bubble wands.

Both are made using thick cotton string (we used macramé string). Large wand has 2 pieces of wooden doweling and 2m string.

An eyelet screwed into the top of the doweling helps keep the string in place. The metal nut gives the string some weight.

The smaller bubble wand needs 2 plastic straws and 45cm of string.



BADGE TIPS ... GROOVY GAMES

MOCKTAIL MAKING

Run a 'festival' evening where you can wear your festival outfits that you have made, have a neon disco using your playlists and then make mocktails at your event.

Ingredients that work well are:

- Cranberry juice
- Apple juice
- Orange juice
- Lemonade



SONG CHALLENGES

Examples for Finish the Lyric

- Shape of You by Ed Sheeran - play the start of the chorus "I'm in love with the shape of you" then pause and girls have to write down next lyric which in this case would be "push and pull like a magnet do".
- Halo by Beyoncé - play "You're everything I need and more, It's written all over your face, Baby, I can feel your halo" then girls have to guess "pray it won't fade away".

This game can be played using any song and can easily be adapted using different songs depending on age groups.

Examples for Song Association

Tell the girls a word and then they have to sing part of song with that word in.

Word examples - night, shoe, dream, wake, crime.

An example of the game in action - you could say the word 'yesterday' and one of the girls could recite the lyric from Someone Like You by Adele "You know how the time flies, Only yesterday it was the time of our lives."

BADGE TIPS ... COOL CRAFTS

MAKING BUNTING

You will need:

- Scissors
- Fabric (calico cotton is best)
- String or ribbon
- Sharpies / fabric pens/ fabric paint to create design.
- Fabric Glue or needles and thread



Instructions:

1. Cut the fabric into triangular pieces of the same size. Using pinking shears stops any fraying.
2. Decorate all the bunting pieces however you choose.
3. Attach all the triangles to the string/ribbon using either fabric glue or sewing. You could glue it to keep them in place then sew to make the bunting extra secure.

MAKING LANTERNS

You will need:

- an empty jam jar or food jar
- a tea light - battery operated could be used for safety with younger girls.
- tissue paper
- PVA glue
- extra decorations
eg. sparkly gems (optional)



Instructions:

Use plenty of PVA glue to cover the jar then stick on the tissue paper. Ombre designs look effective. Gems or glitter can be used to add extra sparkle. **Caution is needed when lighting a candle inside the jar. A battery operated tealight is a safer option. .**

BADGE TIPS ... COOL CRAFTS

HOW TO MAKE BLEACH T-SHIRTS

What you need:

- Bleach
- T-shirt- darker colours tend to work best
- Sheet of cardboard- this could be an old cereal box
- Cotton bud stick

1) Lay out your t-shirt but make sure to put a sheet of cardboard inside it, to avoid your design leaking on to the other side.

2) Using a cotton bud stick, dip the end into the bleach then dab it on to your t-shirt and make your design



You could try tie-dying. This website has some great ideas of how to tie-dye:
<https://sarahmaker.com/how-to-tie-dye/>

BADGE TIPS ... COOL CRAFTS

MAKING FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS

There are lots of different styles of bracelets that you can make. This first method uses a cardboard disc made from a cereal box and is easier for beginners or younger children.

1) Cut a cardboard disc 10 cm in diameter.. Mark off 8 even



sections as shown. Cut slits approx. 1 cm into the card at these points. Make a hole in the centre of the cardboard disc that is large enough to thread all the wool through.

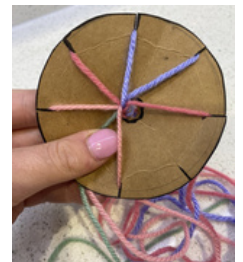
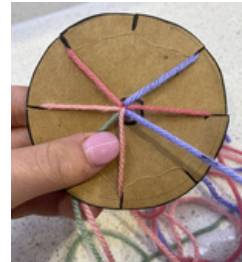
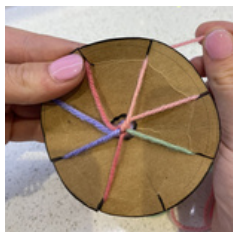
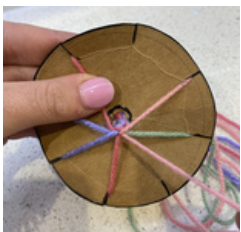
2) Cut 7 lengths of coloured wool (mixed colours) cm long. and tie a knot.



3) Push all the threads through the hole (knot is on the other side of the card, unseen in photo). Place a thread of wool in each slit, the '12 o'clock' slit should be empty.



4) Move the thread that is 3 spaces away from '12 o'clock' into the empty '12 o'clock' space.



5) Rotate the disc so that the empty slot is back at '12 o'clock' and repeat. Keep going until your bracelet is long enough to fit.



There are more complex designs & methods for making friendship bracelets. This photo shows others we have made.

Instructions for other styles are here:

<https://www.instructables.com/how-to-make-a-friendship-bracelet-1/>

BADGE TIPS ... FANTASTIC FOOD

CAMPFIRE POPCORN

See these websites for extra guidance on making popcorn in a fire:

Easier to read instructions: <https://sugarspiceandglitter.com/wp-json/mv-create/v1/creations/1025/print>

Or with pictures: <https://sugarspiceandglitter.com/how-to-make-campfire-popcorn/>

If you don't want to light a fire you could try cooking popcorn over a tealight using a tin can to help!

Making popcorn in a tin can

You will need:

A washed tin can

Vegetable oil

2 x foil cake cases

2 x wooden pegs

Popcorn kernels

Tea light

Spoon (optional)

Instructions

1. Light the tea light and pop it in the tin can (use the spoon to lower it in if you like)
2. In the foil cake case add some oil along with the popcorn kernels
3. Put the other cake case on top to cover the kernels, use the pegs to secure the cake cases together
4. Hold the pegs and cases over the tin can turning until the popcorn starts to pop!
5. Once the gaps in the kernels popping slows down remove the cases from the heat
6. Tip the popped corn into a bowl and sprinkle



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BADGE TIPS ... FANTASTIC FOOD

PIZZA POCKETS

Further ideas can be found here:

<https://www.getoutwiththekids.co.uk/camping/camping-tips/recipes/pocket-pizza/>

DAMPERS RECIPE

Ingredients: Makes approx. 12

500g self-raising flour

75g caster sugar

200ml water

Jam or chocolate spread

You also need a tin foil covered stick.

Method:

- 1) Put flour and sugar in a bowl and mix well. Gradually add the water a little at a time and knead gently until it forms a soft dough. Divide the dough into equal pieces (makes enough for about 12)
- 2) Roll each piece of dough in your hands until it is a long and thin sausage shape. Wrap it around a foil-covered stick and press to ensure it is well fixed in place.
- 3) Turning regularly, carefully hold the stick over and even heat (campfire or BBQ) for 10 minutes until hard to the touch.
- 4) Carefully slide the dampers off the stick and fill the cavity down the centre with chocolate spread or jam.

The frankfurter variation worked brilliantly. You need to use a different type of stick - we used wooden kebab sticks. Carefully put a frankfurter sausage onto the stick length ways and then wrap the damper around the sausage. Remove the sugar from the dough recipe. You can replace the sugar with a small amount of salt. You could even experiment with adding small amounts of grated parmesan cheese or dried thyme to a savoury version of the dough.

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LEMONADE

You can follow this recipe for guidance:

<https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/32385/best-lemonade-ever/>





BADGE ORDER FORM

Thank you for choosing to buy our 'Fun Fest Challenge' badge.

Badges are £1.25 each.

Please email order requests to ehguidesbadges@hotmail.com
(include leader name, unit name, quantity of badges, total paid including postage and online reference and date of payment).

Online payments:

Girlguiding Fleet Division Badge Ac
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Sort code: 30-96-26
Account Number: 84785960

Postage Costs (1st class):

1-40 badges - £3.50
41 - 100 badges - £4.50
100+ badges - please request cost

Postage Costs (2nd class):

1-40 badges - £2.00
41 - 100 badges - £2.50
100+ badges - please request cost

For payment by cheque, please email asking for details.

BADGE DESIGN APPROVAL

RE: New Version: Fun Fest Badge design approval

① You forwarded this message on Sat 22/04/2023 18:21



Branding Matters <BrandingMatters@girlguiding.org.uk>

To: You



Mon 17/04/2023 11:37

Hi Naomi,

Thanks for the amended design for Fun Fest Challenge badge.

The general format of the badge is ok and can be approved. There are a couple of minor changes

Ideally the text should be 10 to 12 points in size but we can accept a min of 8 point. Please can you adjust the text size slightly if smaller than this, for Girlguiding Fleet Division.

The Trefoil is ok in a square shape, but please increase the size of the Dark blue square, so there is more space around the edge of the White Trefoil. Alternatively, you could increase the dark blue square to more of a rectangle under the stage?

For ref, the Trefoil should be between 7 to 10mm in size.

I am happy to provide confirmation the badge design is approved if the changes above are made.

Kind Regards
Ruth

The updated badge will be exactly the same dimensions but includes the new guide logo



All photos used are our own and any children pictured are girls who have produced this booklet.