

# 'Our Time at Tent Town'

## Welcome to the initial prospectus for the Playing with Words Summer Meeting 2003

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June to Tuesday 1 July 2003**

**Llanmadoc, The Gower, South Wales**

### Where:

Llanmadoc is to the north west of the Gower Peninsula in South Wales about a 20 minute drive from Swansea. Llanmadoc is a small village with a pub and a post office. The area is surrounded by beautiful sandy coastline, mostly belonging to the National Trust. **'Tent Town'** will sit for the duration of our trip within the Llanmadoc Campsite that forms part of a small farm owned and run by Elizabeth and Alec Price. Alec was brought up in this part of Wales and the couple have worked the farm for many years. They have sheep and some cattle. The campsite itself has several grassy fields given over to caravans and tents.



For our trip we shall have our own field set out as **'Tent Town'** and use of a shower and toilet block with about 18 showers and 20 WC's for women and children and a small block for men and boys. Playing with Words will provide all of the tents needed for **'Tent Town'** and this will be set up when most of you arrive on Sunday afternoon. Our tents will be good quality and new with all the equipment you will need for life in **'Tent Town'**.

Each Local Group must organise their own transport to and from **'Tent Town'** with the help of the attached spreadsheet and the Playing with Words/EQUIPE team. Transport is a big challenge for us and we must try to organise it so that each group spends as little time as possible travelling by the most comfortable and economical means. The Playing with Words/EQUIPE team will work with all of you to explore the best ways of doing this and to see if there are opportunities for our own future enterprise.

As a first guide some of you will probably want to travel to Swansea by train. Groups in London will probably be best doing this. Buses would then collect those arriving at Swansea station to travel on to Llanmadoc. Most others will probably want to have buses for the whole journey but there may be other ways.

Once at the entrance to the farm and campsite you will find that the road is not much wider than a track and buses will not be able to negotiate it. Alec has offered to run trips from the gate to **'Tent Town'** with his tractor and trailer and this may be exciting especially for our younger participants. We also have several 'people movers' (7 seater cars) so it is not a problem. The 'people movers' will be with us throughout the event if needed for emergencies but there will be no other form of transport until it is time to go home.

## **When:**

From the afternoon of Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June until the morning of Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July.

There will be refreshments on arrival on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June and then we will have our evening meal at 18:30.

On Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June breakfast will take place from 08:00 until 09:00 in **'Tent Hall'**. We will have a packed lunch and our evening meal will take place at 18:30.

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July breakfast will take place from 08:00 until 09:00 in **'Tent Hall'** and then everyone will begin to depart for home.

For some children this will mean missing school for two days. Playing with Words will produce an explanatory leaflet for all the schools involved explaining what offsite education will be provided. Each group will need to decide for themselves whether individual parents or the local groups will give these leaflets to the schools.

## **What with:**

- **Our own initiative, intelligence, concerns for others and determination to do something exciting and meaningful for the future** Please see attached our planning spreadsheet. Remember that these events must be thoroughly planned so that we maximise the time available to us to explore and experiment together. This means arranging patrols in advance and thinking and talking about how you will take part. The planning spreadsheet must be completed and held by the Playing with Words National Group by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June. But we would like to see the spreadsheet in draft by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, please. The detailed prospectus will be placed on the website on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. We will provide the essential and detailed scripts, map and final timetable that each patrol will need to be able to take part on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June on the website and by email.
- **'Tent Town' itself**
- **The Sandy Coast**



- The Caves



- The elements and the world in general



**Who:**

Any Playing with Words participant who wants to come **AND** are prepared to take full part in '**Our Time at Tent Town**'

**SEE YOU THERE!**