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Tips on planning a children's party

Party Food.

Having been to lots of children's parties I have noticed what food is eaten by children, and what food is left, (I don't like that food)

The best way to make sure that the food is enjoyed is not to make too many choices

Here is a list of food at a children's party that I have seen at successful parties.

Fruit

Grapes (seedless), Orange segments, Diced Apple Squares, Chocolate Banana, (if all the grapes are not eaten), you can place them in the party bag's.

Crisps

Should only be plain, (placed in a big bowl to let the children help themselves) this way kids who like crisps, will be happy. and children who don't, won't feel that they have to eat them.

Chips & Pizza

Most children like chips, (Fries to go) can be made in the microwave, and Pizza only about 15 min's in the oven.

Other Fun Food

After Eight Mints, Dark Chocolate Orange, Fun size Yoghurt Pots, Bread Sticks with cheese dip, and the Sweet Bowl, (Kit-Kat, Milky Ways, Chocolate Buttons, Jaffa Cakes, etc.) any that are not eaten can once again be put in the party bags

Drinks.

Robinsons Fruit Shoot drinks, (don't spill over and make a mess) also small Fruit Drinks in boxes with the straw on the side (Ribena style drinks) Small cans of Iron Bru, Coca cola, or Pepsi, are good for older children.

Food that is not very good at Children's Parties

(just ask any children)

Sandwiches, Cheese, Egg, Meat, The number of times that I have seen sandwiches left over, would be about 70% of all parties that I have attended.

Sausage Rolls Kids don't eat a lot of them.

Mini Sausages always see them on the party plate not eaten.

The above is only a guide (ask your own children what they would like)

Timing of the Party

If your party starts at 1.00pm ask guests and parents, to arrive (12.50pm) in time to get coats off, hand over any presents and cards. and say hello to friends.

If your party is going to finish at 3.00pm, ask parents to be back by 2.50pm. (children don't like to see friends leaving), then being left to wondering where Mum or Dad is.



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Buying a birthday gift

Gift vouchers

Vouches from Book/CD shops, Video/Games stores, Cinema chains, are great presents, as it give the birthday child the opportunity to buy a present that "they" would love, Play Station game are able to be purchased with a few Gift Vouchers helping to the cost.

Try to find out if the child as any special activities, (Swimming, Horse Riding, Football, Ice Skating, etc.)

Gift vouchers for this will be loved. not only by the child but the parents will also be pleased.

The DOs & Don'ts at the Party

Do try to get as many helping hands as you can, the most successful parties I have attended, have lots of helper's.

Do try to make sure all the children are happy, (if children are upset when Mum or Dad drops them up), Ask Mum or Dad to stay around until the child settles in the party fun.

Do Make up "Thank-you cards" to place in the party bags example John and his family, would like to thank you for attending his 7th Birthday, at the Church Hall, you helped make his party a big hit.

This will make the guest who have come to the party feel that just by going to the party they contributed to the success of the party. it also saves on remembering to thank everyone

Don't Give out hooter's, and blowers, in the middle of the party, (children will start blowing them), and with the space of about 30 seconds they will all be doing it, you should place any items like this in party bags for giving out at the end.

Don't Worry about children being over excited, (try not to tell them off, in front of friends) after all it is a very special event for every child.

Don't Let the Birthday Child open presents at the party. (wait until you get home, or if the party is in your own home, wait until guest have left).

The above are only suggestions

Do NOT Hire Any Other Entertainer Or Kids DJ That Does Not Meet These Criteria.

The sad fact is that there are many entertainers that aren't very good. It's frightening that absolutely anybody can place an ad in the local paper and say they are a children's entertainer. Don't risk ruining your event. Make sure the entertainer or DJ you hire meets these important standards. Only bring in a performer who has LOTS of recommendations that prove he/she is an experienced entertainer. Anyone can come up with two or three references. You want to make sure they have an abundance of them! Also, make sure that the testimonials are relevant. You want to make sure the person you're hiring is a specialist at entertaining and DJing for kids parties only. Only bring in an entertainer who views the kids safety seriously. Make sure the entertainer or DJ takes the kids safety seriously. Check that they have a safety certificate for their equipment and Public Liability Insurance, if they don't - run a mile!!