

School Visits to Hinchingbrooke Country Park

Hinchingbrooke Country Park offers a broad range of first-hand practical activities for children and students to experience, observe and record nature as they explore the world around them.

"Absolutely brilliant day, thank you!"



We can cover many areas of the curriculum for Key Stages 1-4 on a variety of topics.

Many activities are cross-curricular with the well documented advantages that come from learning outside the classroom.

We work closely with teachers to develop activities for GCSE, A-level, college and university students. Help and guidance can be given to students undertaking projects, e.g. for MSc and degree work.

One day of discovery in the Park will inspire days of follow up activities back in the classroom!



www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/hcpeducationalvisits

Subjects that can be covered during a visit:

Science

Scientific techniques and concepts. Discover and study plants, trees and minibeasts. Collect and analyse data.

Numeracy and Maths

Use natural materials to make basic concepts more exciting.

Literacy and Language

Use the natural world for inspiration to communicate in a variety of styles.

Geography

Great environment to learn and practise map, compass and navigation skills.

Leisure and Tourism

Find out about our visitors, their requirements, the issues they may cause and how we manage these.

Art and Design

Stimulation for artwork in the wild or inspiration to take back to school.

Teamwork

Face new challenges safely; individually & in groups.

Conservation and Management

Discover what is being done to protect, manage and encourage the variety of habitats and the wildlife that lives here.

Physical Education

Physical challenges and being active in the outdoors.

History

Changing land use over time.

PSHE, PSHEE & Citizenship

Develop confidence & discover abilities & strengths. Take responsibility for themselves, each other, the environment and wildlife. Work individually and in groups. Manage risk.

Music

Experiment with natural materials to create sounds and explore rhythm and tempo.

Honey Bees

We have many hives on site and volunteers from Huntingdonshire Beekeepers Association are able to talk to students of all levels and open the hives in suitable conditions.

Themes we have had fun developing

*Pirates, Enchanted Forest, Room on the Broom, Bear Hunt, Minibeasts, Honey bees, determination & insect trapping.
What other ideas or topics do you have??!*

Early Years and Foundation Stage

Adventurous and inspiring exploration whatever the weather! Encourages observation, confidence, investigation and fascination.

Primary Schools

Choose from a variety of tried and tested activities in many subjects. We may be able to adapt activities to your theme/topic.

Secondary Groups

Wide range of subject areas. Activities tailored or developed to meet requirements.

Further Education groups

Specialised activities developed for groups and support can be provided for individual projects.

SEN and Disabled Groups

Most activities can be adapted for students of all ages who have additional physical and/or learning requirements who may look at the world in a different way.

Benefits of learning outside

- Encourages creative development
- Promotes exploration and discovery
- Inspires a life-long interest in nature
- Allows children a sense of freedom
- See your group in a different setting

What do learners gain?

- Increased confidence in themselves
- New skills
- Respect and understanding for the environment
- A sense of excitement and curiosity about natural phenomena

Why visit Hinchingsbrooke Country Park?

- Hands on learning activities covering a wide range of subjects
- Specialist and experienced staff
- A variety of habitats to explore and study
- Dedicated classroom for lunch and wet weather activities

It is essential to book early

Please contact us for further details and pricing
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For more reasons why outdoor education is so important see the website for The Council for Learning Outside the Classroom at www.lotc.org.uk

"A super day out which will lead to some excellent work back at school."