

Outdoor Learning at Upton Country Park

Upton Country Park is set in over 100 acres of award winning woodland, gardens and parkland. It is home to Upton House, a Georgian Grade II* listed building constructed in 1818. We are now offering a range of educational workshops for schools. All workshops link to the National Curriculum for 2014.

Available for Key Stage 1 from 22nd April 2014

Workshop	Curriculum Links	Content
Outdoor Art 2 hours	KS1 Art: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Developing a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern and texture; ✓ Learning about artists 	Explore a variety of techniques for image-making using natural materials and learn about artists who have been inspired by nature.
Minibeasts 2 hours	KS1 Science: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Identifying and classifying; ✓ Identify and name animals in microhabitats KS1 Geography: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Simple field work and observational skills 	Using pond-dipping and bug-hunting, get to know some local creepy-crawlies and the habitats they like best.
Looking at Plants and Trees 2 hours	KS1 Science: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Observe how seeds and bulbs grow; observe changes across four seasons; KS1 Geography: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK 	Find, look at and identify different types of trees and plants around the country park. Pupils will also look at the effect of the seasons on the plants that grow.
Who Eats What? 2 hours	KS1 Science: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores; ✓ Identify and describe habitats ✓ Describe how animals obtain their food KS1 Geography: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Simple field work and observational skills 	Find out more about the animals and plants that live in the park, the food they eat and the habitats that they live in.



Available for Key Stage 2 from 22nd April 2014

Workshop	Curriculum Links	Content
Outdoor Art 2 hours	KS2 Art: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Improve art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials; ✓ Learn about great artists 	Explore a range of techniques for image-making using natural materials. Learn about artists who have been inspired by nature and create a 3D artwork.
Mapping Skills 2 hours	KS2 Geography: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Use eight points of a compass; ✓ Use fieldwork to observe and record human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps 	Practice map-reading and compass-reading skills in the grounds of Upton Country Park using maps, photos and plans to identify key landmarks.
Minibeasts 2 hours	KS2 Science: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Making systematic and careful observations; ✓ Reporting on findings from enquiries; ✓ Identify and name a variety of living things in the wider environment 	Using pond-dipping and bug-hunting, get to know some local creepy-crawlies and the habitats they like best.
Team Building and Survival Skills 2 hours	KS2 PSHE / SMSC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Developing and maintaining a variety of healthy relationships within a range of social / cultural contexts 	A range of outdoor challenges designed to encourage teamwork skills. Children will need to communicate, cooperate and work together to solve problems.
Who Eats What? 2 hours	KS2 Science: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey; ✓ Reporting and presenting findings; KS2 Geography: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Field work and observational skills 	Find out more about the animals and plants that live in the park, the food they eat and the habitats that they live in. Make and compare a series of food chains and webs.

Historical Workshops

We also offer a range of historical workshops based at our authentic Roman house and Upton House. *Changing Societies* and *Upton House* workshops will be available from September 2014.

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<p>Changing Societies: from hunter-gatherers to Iron Age Britons</p> <p>2 hours or 4 hours</p>	<p>KS2 History:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age; ✓ Connections, contrasts and trends over time 	<p>Compare similarities and differences between Stone Age hunter-gatherers and Iron Age farmers. Learn some ancient techniques for foraging, cooking and shelter-making.</p>
<p>Settlers and Invaders</p> <p>4 hours</p>	<p>KS2 History:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain; ✓ The power of the Roman army, culture and beliefs 	<p>Learn about life in Roman Britain through drama and hands-on activities at the authentic Roman House in Upton Country Park.</p>
<p>Upton House: A Local History Study</p> <p>2 hours</p>	<p>KS1 History:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Significant historical events, people and places in own locality <p>KS2 History:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A study of an aspect of a site dating from a period beyond 1066 	<p>Discover the fascinating history of Upton House, its links to local history and the effects that its owners had on the land surrounding it.</p>

Booking information

We recommend booking workshops as far in advance as possible in order to avoid disappointment. Bookings will include a one to one planning meeting.

Two hour workshops: £110 (Poole Schools) / £125 (Non Poole Schools)
 Four hour workshops: £190 (Poole Schools) / £220 (Non Poole Schools)

For more information and to make a booking please contact Louise Diffey, Learning Assistant, on 01202 262628 or email museumlearning@poole.gov.uk



Upton Country Park

Learning Programme for Schools



- Workshops delivered by experienced staff from Poole Museum
- A wide range of habitats to explore including woodland, shoreline and award-winning gardens
- Authentic Roman house available for learning workshops
- Outdoor classroom facilities
- Accessible toilets
- Tea rooms with lunches available
- Free parking



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