EcoEdVenture Days at Dartmoor Activity Centre

dartmooractivitycentre.com

TEACHERS Are you looking for quality, NC linked LOTC Environmental Educational, for Key Stage 2?

We are currently offering 1 free place per 10 places booked. All staff attend for free.

At Dartmoor Activity Centre we offer a selection of one day whole class EcoEdVenture programmes. The sessions provide students with a positive experience of investigating climate and ecological issues, with an emphasis on sustainability. By providing a variety of hands-on outdoor group workshops, we aim to educate participants on the importance of protecting the natural environment.

All EcoEdVenture programmes are truly immersive. The whole class will be introduced to an environmental issue of importance but crucially will be actively involved in several (often messy - and not suitable for classrooms!) workshops for the **whole day**. Our aim is to facilitate understanding of the issues (local and global impact) and to empower the young people, showing that they can make a positive difference towards what can often feel like an overwhelming subject.

All programmes present opportunities for students to actively engage with the natural environment in and around our centre at Haytor on Dartmoor National Park. By educating them on the importance of protecting the natural environment, they will be able to gain an understanding of the theory behind each activity in relation to conservation, energy, waste, environmental sustainability, food growing and natural resources.

Our experience in the outdoor education industry and environmental conservation means we truly value the benefits and power of nature as a positive force for good. Studies have shown that short immersion in the outdoors can have a positive effect on mental health and form valuable connections to nature.

"*We believe that young people have a right to first-hand educational experiences in their local environment, because these are critical in helping them understand the importance of the biosphere to all life on the planet, as well as being a source of wellbeing and fulfilment, and a motivation towards sustainable living*". NAEE

EcoEdVenture programmes have been carefully devised by a team of dedicated individuals, a doctor of microbiology, permaculture design experts, and a primary school teacher. All of whom have extensive experience of delivering LOTC sessions and feel strongly there is a need for more quality-led, experiential eco-sustainability education based in the outdoors.

The programmes are topic based and as such are cross-curricula. They are all linked to the key
stage 2 National Curriculum. (on-site, Science, DT, Geography, History). Contact us for further information, if required. No prior topic classroom work or

knowledge is required for the class (or staff) to attend. These truly immersive activities are aimed to be fun and often messy - and not suitable for classrooms!). Following on from the programme, simple activities could easily be integrated into the school setting led by the students, thus consolidating their learning. Our aim is to facilitate understanding of the issues and to empower the young people, showing that they can make a positive difference towards what can often feel like an overwhelming subject.

We currently offer 3 programmes: 1) The Great Decomposers. 2) Building Sustainable Futures and 3) Bio-diversi-TREE and Moor (only available on Mondays – includes either tree or moss planting).

The Programmes run throughout the year, are just £15 per child (min no 25) based on seasons and suitability eg tree-planting season is winter only. The day starts at Haytor at around 9.45am and you leave at around 2.45pm (some tree planting may be later – but will be discussed/planned with you in advance). Children (and adults) will need to bring a packed lunch and a refillable water bottle.

We are often out on site, so for further information or to book please email in the first instance with the following details; numbers of children, year group, number of staff wishing to attend and the programme you are interested in to groups@dartmooractivitycentre.com
Quote 1in10 in your email to claim your free places*

We hope to see you soon

Donna
EcoEdVenture at Dartmoor Activity Centre
Email: groups@dartmooractivitycentre.com

*For class sizes smaller than 25 please contact us directly for pricing. We still welcome your visit.

"We must find ways to help people understand that each one of us has a role to play, no matter how small. Every day we make some impact on the planet. And the cumulative effect of millions of small ethical actions will truly make a difference" Jane Goodall