



Gloucestershire
Wildlife Trust



Secondary

SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

COVID-19 Secure

September 2020 - August 2021



Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust is the largest wildlife conservation charity in the county. Our learning programme aims to inspire people to engage with the natural world, become closer to it and take action for it, in rural and urban settings.

There has never been a better time to learn outdoors.

OUR STAFF

Our staff are experienced in environmental education and passionate about making the outdoors fun, accessible and relevant at every age. We are supported by a team of enthusiastic and committed volunteers.



About our Nature Reserves

Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust has more than 60 nature reserves across the county, including three gateway sites; with parking, toilets and education facilities. We are also open to enquiries about delivering our workshops at other sites and in your school grounds.

Our main sites for education are:

Crickley Hill, Cheltenham

Robinswood Hill, Gloucester

Greystones Farm, Bourton-on-the-Water

**GET IN
TOUCH**

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Curriculum based Workshops

Fieldwork Skills - Plants

Crickley Hill, Robinswood Hill, Greystones
KS3 Science

- *Interactions and Interdependencies - Relationships in an ecosystem
- *Working Scientifically

Your students will be led through a workshop to understand how to use a quadrat to draw conclusions about plant abundance, they will start to make conclusions comparing habitats and explore the factors impacting on species.

Farming for Wildlife

Greystones Farm
KS3 & 4 Science

- *Interactions and Interdependencies - Relationships in an ecosystem
- *Working Scientifically

This workshop will enable your students to understand the workings of a dairy farm, exploring how farming methods impact on biodiversity in a local context. They will conduct field work to make conclusions between grazed fields and meadows, get up close to the cows at milking in this organic dairy herd and learn more about how farmers are supported to make improvements for biodiversity in a contemporary setting.



Curriculum based Workshops



Mammal Surveying

Greystones Farm

KS3 & 4

In this fascinating workshop your students will have the opportunity to examine small mammals up close. They will explore the scientific methodology of small mammal trapping and surveying. They will explore differences between species, their role within the ecosystem.

Investigating Abundance and Distribution of Plants

Crickley Hill, Robinswood Hill, Greystones

KS4

*GCSE Biology - Ecosystems and Fieldwork
(EdExcel, AQA, OCR)

Through this fieldwork based workshop your students will collect data using systematic and random sampling techniques. They will explore how environmental factors can affect plants and draw conclusions about the distribution and abundance of plants based upon the data collected. The nature of the study may vary depending on the location.

Curriculum based Workshops

Investigating River Health

Greystones Farm

KS3 & 4 Geography

In this unique workshop your students will look at the health of the River Eye. They will explore the impact of farming through water-testing, use scientific methodology to conduct a river invertebrate survey and discover the work we do to preserve and improve river habitats. Their explorations will help them to draw conclusions about how human and physical processes interact to influence environments.



Cross-Curricular Workshops

We offer a range of conservation themed workshops that enable secondary age students to learn both practical skills and theoretical understanding that will have positive impacts on the environment.

These can be delivered as a one off to link in with a themed week introducing the work of Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust and the wider conservation sector, or can be delivered as part of your weekly timetabling tailored to the needs of your pupils and objectives. Evidence shows that learners on these programmes can reap the health and wellbeing benefits of working close to nature, while also covering curricular targets.



PRICES

Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust is a charity. All income generated by the schools programme pays directly for the programme or goes towards the conservation of local wildlife.

HALF DAY WORKSHOP FULL DAY WORKSHOP TASTER WORKSHOP

30 CHILDREN	£180 (£6 per child)	£232 (£7.73 per child)	
60 CHILDREN	£360 (£6 per child)	£464 (£7.73 per child)	£360 (£6 per child)
90 CHILDREN			£540 (£6 per child)

Prices quoted are per class, for up to 30 children, and are subject to VAT in addition. Any additional children will be charged at the per head price, up to 35 children.



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HOW TO BOOK

Contact

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If you would like more information on one of the sessions included in this brochure or there is something else you are interested in please do not hesitate to contact us. We will do what we can to accommodate your ideas.

Once you are ready to make a booking you will receive a booking form outlining the terms.

Wild Weather

Our activities are all about British wildlife and that sometimes means rain! We are proud to run sessions in all weather and a session will only be postponed if the weather is dangerous.

Please note that sometimes covered areas are accessible to not always. Please note that you will be requested to ask parents to dress their children for hands-on activities in an outdoor environment and ensure clothing is appropriate for the weather and activity.



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