



# Swindon Village Primary School Visit to The Dean Field Studies Centre.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021



## Staff

Mr Roddis, Mr Bradnam, Mrs Stevenson, Mrs O'Leary, Mrs Arrenberg, Mrs Thompson and Mrs Bradley.

Please give any medicines to Mrs O'Leary and Mrs Stevenson on the morning of departure. Named and date-checked inhalers should be kept with children.

Departure: On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October, children should arrive at school at the normal time with their suitcase left in the car park. We will be aiming to leave at 9.15am.

Arrival back at school: Children will be back at school by 3.00pm, ready for collection at the normal time on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> October.

We ARE in school as normal on Thursday and Friday to complete follow-on work from the visit. Yawning will be optional! 😊

# Covid19

The Centre has rigorous Covid-19 risk assessments and policies in place to ensure the well-being of all their guests and employees. Their staff are regularly Covid tested, and follow strict procedures for maintaining a Covid-secure site. They have installed the latest technology with products that are safe for people and the environment, but highly effective in the fight against coronavirus. All their public areas are meticulously cleaned daily, with bedrooms deep cleaned and sanitised between guests.

They have been externally inspected and approved Covid-secure. They closely monitor official advice from the World Health Organisation, Public Health England, the Department for Education and Bristol City Council to ensure they are following the latest guidance. The staff are regularly briefed, and training updated as required. Our school will be the only school residential. Students will be encouraged to wash hands regularly and use hand sanitiser.

**If your child or anyone in your household has symptoms of COVID-19 (a new continuous cough, a high temperature or a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell), they should not attend but contact your school and then follow the current procedures for isolating and/or seeking medical advice.**

**In the event that a visiting student or staff member is taken ill with suspected Covid-19 they will be isolated, and parents/guardians contacted.**



# The Dean Field Studies Centre





We are here

- Historic House
- Castle
- Museum
- Preserved Railway
- Ancient Monument
- Information Centre
- Other Tourist Feature
- Nature / Forest Trail
- Nature Reserve
- Viewpoint
- Picnic Site
- Garden
- Golf Course or Links
- Caravan Site
- Camp Site
- Youth Hostel

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# Welcome to the Forest of Dean



# Activity Programme

(for one activity group)

Day/ Session	AM	PM	EVE
Monday	<b>Arrive, Welcome Briefing, Kit-out, Fire Alarm Drill, Lunch</b>	<b>Nagshead Nature Reserve – pond dipping</b>	<b>Carousel of activities Night Walk</b>
Tuesday	<b>Tunnelling Environmental / Nature Activities – stream survey, nature in art</b>	<b>Forest Walk and Shelter Building</b>	<b>Carousel of activities Evening activity inc. gift shop</b>
Wednesday	<b>Zip wire + problem solving activities + climbing tower</b>	<b>Load coach Depart after Lunch Arrive at school approximately 3:05pm</b>	<b>At home, asleep by 5pm!!!</b>

**The  
climbing wall  
and the  
zip wire!**





**Team building  
and  
cooperation  
activities**

# **The tunnelling challenge**

**The  
Nagshead  
Nature  
Reserve**







Damselfly



aphnia



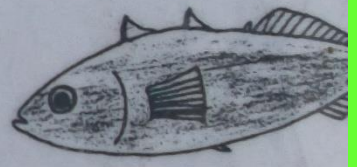
Diving Beetle



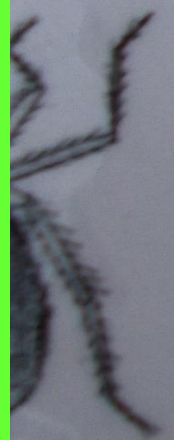
Dragonfly nymph



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Fish



nymph 1



# **Building a shelter in the woods**







# **Sketching nature**



# **Evening activities**

# Bonfire



Sleep at last!



**Bring lots of warm, old clothes!  
We don't mind getting muddy!**





## Kit list

- Wellington Boots
- Waterproof jacket and waterproof trousers
- Thick and thin socks (plenty of spares please)
- 2 x tracksuit bottoms / manmade fibre trousers (not jeans) - more if forecast rain
- 2 x fleece/jumper/sweatshirt
- Skins / Thermals
- 2 x outdoor shoes/boots/trainers
- Hat and gloves
- Large plastic bags to take damp clothes home in
- Toiletries - toothpaste, toothbrush, shower gel and shampoo
- Night clothes
- Indoor shoes/slippers
- Reading book
- Water bottle
- Large towel
- Any required medication
- Optional torch
- **NO ELECTRONICS SUCH AS PHONES, IPODS, TABLETS ETC.**

## Money

£5 only - this has been included within the cost of the trip. The shop is open in the morning and in the afternoon. With a budget of £5, children can buy a variety of items.

## **Medical forms:**

Please return to the office  
ASAP

(no later than Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
September 2021)