

Supporting you and your school with Outdoor Learning

Below you will find links to free resources to support the delivery of outdoor learning, online videos, suggested books and links to reports and studies that support learning outside the classroom.

RNLI - Beach and Swimming resources	3-18	Beach and Swimming resources
Woodland Trust	KS1-KS2	Organisation dedicated to preserving and conserving British Woodland
Learning Through Landscapes	2-18	Organisation dedicated to developing schools and educational organisations use their outdoor space more creatively for outdoor learning and play
50 things to do before your 11 3/4	1-11	National Trust
National Outdoor Classroom Day	1-16	Organisation dedicated to promoting two National outdoor classroom days for schools each year in May and November
Eco Schools	1-16	The Eco-Schools programme is an ideal way for schools to embark on a meaningful path towards improving the environment in both the school and the local community
School Gardening	All	The RHS Campaign for School Gardening inspires and supports schools to provide children with gardening opportunities to enhance their skills and boost their development
Grow Veg	All	How to set up a school Garden
Countryside Classroom	All	Countryside Classroom helps teachers to find resources, places to visit and school support relating to the themes of food, farming and the natural environment.
Garden Organic	ALL	Our charity brings together thousands of people who share a common belief – that organic growing is essential for a healthy and sustainable world.
Tress for Cities	ALL	creating healthier environments or getting people excited about growing, foraging and eating healthy food.
Learning Outside the Classroom	All	LOTC members can download free resources. Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC) is the use of places other than the classroom for teaching and learning. It is about getting children and young people out and about, providing them with challenging, exciting and different experiences to help them learn.
Ordnance Survey	All	resources that can help your students grasp map reading and expand place knowledge.

Primary Science Teaching Trust	Primary	PSTT is a charitable trust helping to improve the teaching and learning of primary science across the UK
Better Orienteering	All	Resources to help teachers teach orienteering in schools
Sustainable Learning	KS 1,2,3	Connecting teachers with free learning resources and expert knowledge to inspire children about sustainability through National Curriculum learning
Sustainable Learning Outdoor Pack	Primary	be inspired by this fantastic and comprehensive pack from the Woodland Trust for Scotland, and use the great outdoors as a key teaching tool? Bursting with tips, tools, case studies and lesson plans, this valuable resource contains all sorts of useful ideas for outdoor learning.
RSPB	All	From your classroom to your school grounds, we can provide something that meets your needs. Let us show you how easy it is to instil a love of nature in your students through our activities and resources.
Eden Project	All	As an educational charity, we have all sorts of things for schools, colleges and universities – including educational trips, teacher training, and free resources.
Educate Outside	All	Outdoor Learning resources for teachers
Muddy Faces	All	Online outdoor Hub
tes	Primary	Outdoor learning ideas for primary
tes	Secondary	Outdoor learning ideas for secondary
Sussex Wildlife Trust	Primary	wildlife themed activity sheets and nature spotter guides
Surry Wildlife Trust	Primary	wildlife themed activity sheets and nature spotter guides
World Ocean Day for schools	All	World Ocean Day for Schools is a free digital platform that curates the most engaging and thought provoking ocean related learning resources for educators.
Our Southdowns	All	The Education Team works with schools, students and outdoor learning providers to support learning in, and about, the National Park.
John Muir Award	All	It's an environmental award scheme for people of all backgrounds – groups, families, individuals. It's non-competitive, inclusive and accessible.

Videos

- ✓ [Outdoor Learning Tips and Rainy Weather Ideas](#)
- ✓ [Outdoor Learning and Play: Outdoor Literacy](#)
- ✓ [Stick Activities - Outdoor Numeracy, Literacy, Phonics](#)
- ✓ [Problem Solving Activity](#)
- ✓ [Scavenger Hunts](#)
- ✓ [Messy Outdoor Maths](#)
- ✓ [Outdoor Maths 1](#)
- ✓ [Outdoor Maths 2](#)
- ✓ [Maths Outdoors](#)
- ✓ [Outdoor Maths 3](#)
- ✓ [Loads of amazing outdoor learning videos from Learning through Landscapes](#)
- ✓ [Apps to use in outdoor learning](#)
- ✓ [Top Tips TA's using the outdoors post lockdown](#)

Support Organisations

- Outdoor Education Advisors National Guidance (OEAP): <https://oeapng.info/> - Excellent guidance for off-site learning
- Field Studies Council (FSC): <https://www.field-studies-council.org/> - We help people learn about the environment so they can make informed choices about how best to protect it
- Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC): <https://www.lotc.org.uk/> - Organisation dedicated to supporting schools with all aspects of learning outside the classroom. Excellent resources and information.
- Institute for Outdoor Learning (IOL): <https://www.outdoor-learning.org/> - Organisation dedicated to developing the practice and standards of outdoor learning across the UK.
- Association of Heads of Outdoor Education Centres (AHOEC): <https://ahoec.org/> - National Association for leaders of outdoor learning providers
- ['Beyond the Classroom' newsletter](#) – Surrey Outdoor Learning

Books

Messy Maths

Dirty Teaching

Learning with Nature

Educating Outdoors – curriculum-linked outdoor learning ideas for primary schools

The big book of Nature Activities- A Year Round Guide to Outdoor Learning

KS1 Go Teach Outdoors – Practical Outdoor lessons ideas for primary English and Maths

KS2 Go Teach Outdoor – Practical outdoor lessons ideas for primary English and Maths

The Big Book of primary club resources – Science and outdoor learning

Go Find it – Outdoor Nature treasure hunt cards

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Outdoor Online Library

- [The impact of Outdoor Learning and playtime at school – and beyond](#)
- [Mission: Explore outside the Classroom](#)
- [Balancing Risks and Benefits in Outdoor Learning and Play](#)
- [Making Playtime a key part of the school day](#)
- [Getting going with outdoor learning](#)
- [How outdoor learning works around the world](#)
- [Curriculum Linked Resources](#)
- [A Guide to High Quality Outdoor Learning and Residential Experiences](#)
- [Nothing Ventured.. Balancing risks and benefits in the outdoors](#)
- [Nature Nurtures Children – Summary of research from the Wildlife Trusts](#)
- [Children and Nature](#)
- [Transforming Outdoor Learning in Schools](#)
- [The National Curriculum Outdoors](#)
- [Outdoor Learning Cards](#)
- [Environmental Learning Cards](#)