

Christmas Nativity . . .

Bethlehem comes to Stibbington at R and KS1



CEES at Stibbington Centre

If requested a "mix & match" programme of learning activities from different day courses may be selected.

To reduce travel costs it may be possible for 2 classes from the same school to follow 2 different courses on the same day.

At KS1 & 2, CEES Day Course themes at Stibbington Centre, Burwell House, Wisbech Castle and Vine House Farm include:

Science

Exploring the environment
Rocks & soils
Energy & renewables
Habitats & food chains
Plants & minibeasts
Crime Scene Investigation

Geography

Map skills & location
Weather & climate
Exploring a locality
Rivers and water

History

Romans Vikings
Victorians WW1
WW2 Evacuation

Art & design

Eco Art & the environment

English & maths

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Day Course Information:

Curriculum focus – Religious Education / Art & Design

Aims

- ✓ To use re-enactment in the environment to bring the Nativity story to life
- ✓ To understand that festivals are occasions for remembering particular events in religions
- ✓ To learn that the concepts of giving and receiving are important in Christianity
- ✓ To work with a variety of different materials to create art works to take back to school

Programme *When there are two classes the welcome will be common to both. Classes then separate and sessions A and B are interchangeable before and after lunch. The programme may vary depending on the number and needs of pupils, length of visit and weather conditions.*

Welcome

On arrival a CEES teacher will welcome your group to the Centre and describe the day's programme.

Session A

This session will be based on the Christmas Nativity story.

- Children will discuss the Christmas story and prepare to re-enact it using simple costumes and song:
- They will follow the Nativity trail through 'Bethlehem';
- They will register at the census point, pay their taxes, find there is no room at the inn, visit the shepherd's camp fire and follow the star to the stable;
- The nativity scene will then be re-created in the "stable".

Session B

This session will use Christmas and the environment as the theme for art and craft works.

- Children will collect natural materials to illustrate a story on a Christmas theme.
- They will make a Christmas themed clay model and create Christmas decorations using natural materials.
- Christmas songs and tree dressing will complete the session.

Review Prior to departure there will be a chance to reflect on the day

Risk management

See separate "Guidance notes for safe and effective Day Courses"

Supervision: For this Day Course our recommended adult:pupil ratio for safety is 1 : 3 (Reception) or 1 : 5 (ks1) in pre-arranged working groups

Weather conditions: CEES teachers are aware of daily weather forecasts and may adjust programmes depending on weather conditions on the day. See separate guidance on outdoor clothing and footwear.

Site conditions: CEES teachers will assess site conditions and draw attention to any relevant risks.

Equipment and materials: Instructions are given on the safe use of all materials and equipment, and on the importance of careful hand washing after handling clay and natural materials.

Unfamiliar surroundings: Adults supervise directly remaining close to children at all times.