

Peter Rabbit & Friends...

Exploring our senses at Foundation Stage



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 & water

History

Romans Vikings
Victorians WW1
WW2 Evacuation

Art & design

Eco Art & the environment

English & maths

... outdoors

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Day Course Information:

Curriculum focus – Supporting Early Learning Goals

Aims

- ✓ To widen language experiences
- ✓ To gain knowledge and understanding of the world
- ✓ To be able to use all the senses to explore similarities and differences between everyday materials
- ✓ To apply mathematics outside the classroom
- ✓ To explore art in the environment

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 Stibbington Centre and describe the day's programme. The children will be introduced to Peter Rabbit and his minibeast friends

Session A

Morning

Through these characters the children will explore the environment using their senses to:

- Make environmental music
- Create smelly cocktails
- Investigate camouflage colours
- Explore contrasting textures

Session B

A workshop session based around the Centre and in the grounds with activities that include:

- Collect and display natural materials
- Create symmetrical sculptures
- Build a shelter for the story characters
- Hunt for real minibeasts

Review Prior to departure there will be an opportunity to review and 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 for reception 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 draw attention to any relevant risks.

Equipment: Instructions are given on the safe use of all equipment.

Unfamiliar surroundings: Pupils are made aware of safe standards of behaviour and are closely supervised by adults at all times.

Soil, rocks, plants and animals: Instruction is given in the safe handling and observation of animals. Children with cuts, abrasions or skin allergies are given protective gloves. Children are instructed to keep hands away from mouths during the activities and to wash hands thoroughly after the activities and before eating.