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**Name of School/Provision:**

**Number of Children attending:**

**Number of staff attending to supervise:**

**Date requested:**

**If we cannot offer this date is there an alternative date you would consider?**

**Time of trip requested** (arriving by and departing by):

**Please see our packages below, and provide some information about what you would like included on your trip:**

We understand that we must conduct our own trip risk assessment and ensure that we have adequate staffing to supervise the needs of the group. The Forest School leader, park ranger or Education volunteer supporting the running of the trip cannot be left responsible for any children. The responsibility lies with the school/provision.

In the event of the leader feeling that the trip is not supported by enough staff or that children are behaving in a way that jeopardizes the safety of others the leader has the right to cancel the trip.

Print Name: Date:

**Minibeast/Insect hunting and habitats** *(recommended time: 1 hour)*

We will take the children into the woods on a bug hunt! Equipped with ID charts and magnify glasses. We will see what insects we can find, weather we can identify them, and we will inspect them closely with our magnify glasses. We will have a discussion around what habitats they were found in and what we think this tells us about them. We will also be able to take sweeper insect nets over to the meadow (season dependent) to see if we can find any more insects in the long grasses and wildflowers

**Pond dipping** *(recommended time: 1 hour)*

We will have access to the wonderful pond dipping platform at Hinchingbrooke where we will show the children how to use pond dipping nets, trays and ID charts. The children will have the opportunity to explore the pond with their nets to see what they can find. We will be able to try to identify their finds and learn about what lives in the pond!

**Ropes, hammocks, swings and Games** (*estimated time: 1.5 hours)*

We can teach the children a variety of knots and how to put ropes up. We will have a selection of ropes to explore, learn to put up a rope swing and high and low rope, learn to make a rope ladder, play in hammocks, and play some games!

**Fire lighting, cooking on a campfire, bushcraft, and survival** (*estimated time: 2 hours)*

The children can have a go at using a fire striker, explore natural tinder’s and different ways to lay a fire, they will also be set a challenge in small groups to light their own fires and cook their own campfire snack! We will also teach them the art of whittling and offer the opportunity to make a craft such as a bow and arrow.

We can also add ropes, hammocks, swings and games to this too.

**Orienteering, den building and Team challenges** (*estimated time: 1.5 hours)*

We will have a giant treasure hunt using the skill of orienteering, map reading and the use of a compass! We will also have some team challenges which will require teamwork and communication to beat the clock!

**Storytelling, poetry and Creativity!**

Where better to read or tell a story then under the most magnificent Oak tree or under a tarpaulin with the pitter patter of rain drops above? We can also read books, write poetry, and get creative with clay! Children’s vocabulary is known to be richer outdoors, why not choose your favourite tree, make a list of adjectives, and together create a wonderful poem! If you let us know your Literacy objectives, we can plan the right activities for you.

Timings: 10-2pm (We can be flexible with this so please discuss with us if you have alternative timings)

£8 per child (Minimum booking of 30 children)

Additional extras for sessions including a campfire:

* Toasting a marshmallow for an extra 50p per child
* Cooking damper bread on a stick 50p per child
* Hot chocolate 50p per child

**A guide for the day….**

10am: Coaches arrive. Children can use the toilets and register taken/divide into smaller groups. We recommend group sizes of no more than 8 children per group.

10.15am Introductions and explanation of the day

10.30-12pm Activities

12-12.45pm Lunch

12.45pm Activities

1.45pm Prepare for coaches and gather belongings

2pm Depart.

We will discuss your requirements and will design a bespoke trip for your group. We can divide the children into smaller groups and have a rotation of activities (depending on numbers of staff and adults). Or we can stay as larger groups. This will depend on the activities chosen.

Cancellations: If given at least 2 weeks’ notice, no charge. If less than 2 weeks’ notice is given of a cancellation we will charge a fee of £100.