

Outdoor learning at Lower Smite Farm

Out in the farm's wildlife garden!



We have been enjoying watching a great spotted woodpecker on the bird feeders in the garden.

The woodpecker has been undertaking some interesting acrobatics to get to the seeds!

Head to our Wildlife Watch website to find things to do and make to help the birds through winter in your local space.

(<http://www.wildlifewatch.org.uk/activity-sheets>)

Bzzy Bee assemblies



Our FREE Bzzy Bee assemblies are running until March 2018.

Our trained volunteers will deliver a tried and tested assembly all about wild bees.

Your pupils will discover why wild bees are in decline and how to help them.

A free Bzzy Bee follow up pack will be sent to your school too.

Phone 01905 754919 to book.

"I would like to say a huge thank you for this morning's assembly. It was fantastic!"

Hanley Swan Primary,
Headteacher.

Book now for spring and summer trips!

We are already taking bookings for our popular spring and summer trips. Costs are still £5 per pupil for a full day. We are conveniently located 5 minutes from J6 of the M5. Call 01905 754919 to book.

EYS/KS1 - Little Red Hen

(identify and name a variety of plants, describe the basic structure of plants)



A hands-on day following the story of the Little Red Hen.

- Visit the garden and carry out simple tests to find a good place to plant a seed.
- Have a go at grinding up wheat into flour and baking your own bread rolls.
- Go on a farm walk to identify plants that are different to wheat.

"We had a fantastic, most enjoyable day and our topic was reinforced. Thank you!"

Astley Primary, YR1 teacher.

KS2 - Fabulous Food!

(explore requirements of plants for life and growth & the lifecycle of plants)



Explore our gardens and learn how plants grow and what we cook from them!

- Carry out tests to see which veggie bed has the best soil for plant growth.
- Using rhubarb from our garden make a rhubarb treat to taste.
- Dissect a flower and look at the parts under a microscope.
- Play our pollination game and become a wild bee!

"The session was well matched to the new curriculum and the children enjoyed cooking the rhubarb!"

Oakhill Primary teacher, YR3



EYS & KS1/2 - Minibeasts!

Book **Marvellous Minibeasts** for EYS/KS1 and **Habitat Havens** for KS2.

The ponds are full of water scorpions and the meadows full of plant bugs! Use our new powerful microscope to see them up close.

Marvellous Minibeasts has a core focus on what minibeasts need to survive and food chains for KS1.

Habitat Havens includes games and opportunities to learn about classification and have first hand experience identifying minibeasts.

"A great day thank you - will definitely recommend to others!"

St Joseph's Catholic Primary

Rock Science Investigation Unit!

Our popular rocks and soils trip is back for spring term, linking to key Year 3 science objectives.

This is a hands on fun and interactive day.

Meet Lithic Liz, a geologist on top secret missions who needs your class' help!



Liz will set your class three challenges via video message.

- Find and classify a set of rocks that are being hunted down by robbers!
- Find out about the different types of rocks by making your own from sweets.
- Investigate how soil is made and dig down into the earth to find out what soil we have on the farm.

As well as identifying a variety of rocks and their characteristics, the children will also learn about soil.

Your class will head out to the garden to make their own soil before exploring the farm to take soils samples using soil augurs.

Contact Marissa to book by phone 01905 754919 or email marissa@worcestershirewildlifetrust.org

"Thank you so much for today. The children had a fantastic time! The trip was perfect for our science topic"

Somers Park, YR3 teacher

