

The New Forest Centre offers an exciting range of fun and interactive activity sessions allowing your group to explore and learn about the New Forest.

Run by experienced and knowledgeable education officers the sessions give your pupils a chance to investigate artefacts and objects related to the Forest and its history or enjoy being outside in the New Forest environment. The sessions have been aimed at KS2 children and have been linked to the new Primary curriculum. However, most of the sessions can be adapted to suit all key stages. The focus for all the sessions is to give the children an opportunity ask questions and practise key speaking and listening and thinking skills.



habitat data gathering

Outreach
 COST: £40 per 45 minute session plus travel expenses

The price of these sessions includes a visit to the New Forest Museum. Please note that a minimum charge is made to the equivalent of twenty pupils for all sessions. All our sessions are based on a maximum number of 35 students. If you wish to bring more we can accommodate you but may need to run separate sessions. Please contact the education team for more details.

Whole Day Session
 COST: £5 per child, leaders FREE
 combining two half day sessions of your choice

Half Day Session
 COST: £3 per child, leaders FREE

Session costs



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The New Forest Ninth Centenary Trust was founded in 1979 and set about raising funds for a Museum. The dream became a reality when in the summer of 1988 the New Forest Museum was opened by the Duke of Edinburgh. Further rebuilds and refurbishments made the Museum a cultural centre for the New Forest designed to cater for the local New Forest community as well as the many thousands of visitors. The Trust has always had education at the heart of its mission statement and the continued work of our trustees, staff and volunteers has helped to bring the New Forest to life for many people, young and old.

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Education Sessions



NEW FOREST CENTRE



The place to learn about the New Forest

Sessions available in 2010



1 Verderers' Court Role Play

Visit the Verderers' Court and learn about the importance of the court throughout history and how its role has evolved to its present format. Role play a court session where you make the decisions that would affect how the New Forest is run.

2 Commoners of the New Forest

Handle objects that are linked to commoning in the New Forest and work out what they are or what they could be used for. Take part in our commoning trail in the Museum to find out more about this ancient way of life. For this session your group will need to be divided into two separate activity groups.

3 Nature Detectives

Handle some of the Museum's nature artefacts and discover what lives in the New Forest area. A chance to ask questions about the New Forest's amazing natural history. Take part in our Museum nature trail to find out more about the New Forest and its various habitats. For this session your group will need to be divided into two separate activity groups.



4 Humans and the New Forest (walk)

Take a walk through different areas of the New Forest and explore what impact humans have had. What human features can you see? Why are they there? Are the changes we have made good or bad for the New Forest? Children can record all their thoughts and findings using dictaphones and digital cameras. For this session your group will need to be divided into five separate activity groups.



5 Nature of the New Forest (walk)

Using the digital data loggers children can explore different habitats that exist in the New Forest. They can record their thoughts using dictaphones, what they see using the digital cameras as well as recording temperatures etc with the data loggers. All information that is recorded is then sent on to you to use for follow up work. For this session your group will need to be divided into five separate activity groups.



Bespoke Sessions

Can't see the session that you want? Then contact the education team and discuss your needs with us. We are flexible, full of ideas and can usually find a way to meet your needs.

Outreach Sessions

The education team at the New Forest Centre are happy to bring a little bit of the Forest to you. All our outreach sessions are lively and interactive using a variety of resources including photos, maps, Museum artefacts and games.