

The **Lower Attaining Pupils Programme (1984 -88)**, carried out across 17 LEA's showed that "residentials were a significant resource for personal and social learning...Among the learning outcomes were: improved motivation; increased self-confidence; self-esteem and self-control; social development; learning to work together and help one another; improved relationships with teachers and other adults; and improved attitudes."

Increasingly, many schools are reporting the low uptake of residential trips. The reasons for the low uptake appear to vary from each school but can include cost, family choice, parental concern or anxiety, parental belief that it is not educational, health difficulties, overnight stay is not suitable for particular groups, caring responsibilities etc.

The purpose of this document is to explore the benefits of the residential experience and provide schools and settings with options and choices around how to ensure that ALL pupils are seeing the benefits of the residential experience, even in bespoke or local formats.

### Traditional residential facilities

Below is a list of providers and venues that offer a traditional residential experience. The Extended Services Team cannot recommend a provider. **Please do speak to other schools who may have used the company / venue prior to booking.**

The experience would normally include:

- 3 nights stay and meals for all
- Outdoor and indoor activities led by trained facilitators
- A wide menu of activities to meet the needs of the school
- Facilities for staff

Schools are encouraged to contact the venues / organisations directly for more information including prices.

Name	About	Location	Contact and cost
<b>JCA - Residential Activity Centre Specialists.</b>	JCA are specialists in providing outdoor activities for children on either school residential trips, youth group residentials, kids summer camps, junior and adult netball tournaments and family adventure holidays.  Each of our courses promote educational and personal development in-line with the national curriculum and of course, fun!	Currently operate 4 outdoor activity centres in varying locations throughout the UK offering a combination of either one day or residential multi-activity courses from 2-4 night durations.	<a href="http://www.jca-adventure.co.uk">http://www.jca-adventure.co.uk</a>  £35.00 per day, per child plus VAT
<b>Sayers Croft</b>	Safe, Fun, Learning Sayers Croft is a beautiful, safe site with 56 acres of woodlands, meadows, ponds and fields and has been providing quality outdoor	Sayers Croft Cranleigh Road Ewhurst Surrey GU6 7SS	<a href="http://www.sayers-croft.org.uk/home">http://www.sayers-croft.org.uk/home</a>  Depending on the time of year, prices are

	<p>experiences for young people for over 70 years.</p> <p>We offer a wide choice of activities at Sayers Croft, ranging from pond dipping to wall climbing. Whatever your outcomes, our instructors will work with you to design a unique programme focused on your needs.</p>		<p>ranging from</p> <p>3 nights for £80-£110.00</p> <p>5 nights for £120.00 to £250.00</p>
<b>Field Studies Council (FSC)</b>	<p>FSC provides primary school trips covering adventure, teambuilding/personal development and the new national curriculum.</p> <p>The environment is at the heart of everything we do. Visiting primary school children will see, explore and learn in a fun, engaging manner by immersing themselves in the natural world, taking in its sights, sounds and smells and getting their hands dirty.</p> <p>The content of our primary school trips provide memorable experiences that children may not otherwise get the opportunity to do. They also keep all children active and engaged throughout the whole of each session; we believe they benefit the most from participating rather than watching others.</p>	<p>London Based venues include: Amersham, Epping Forest and a residential centre at Juniper Hall</p> <p>We work in partnership with The Royal Parks to deliver courses from Bushy Park, Greenwich Park and the Regent's Park.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.field-studies-council.org/outdoorclassroom/primary-school-trips.aspx">http://www.field-studies-council.org/outdoorclassroom/primary-school-trips.aspx</a></p> <p>Special offer –ends February 2017 £75- 3 days residential stay</p> <p>3 days range from £100-£177 depending on the time of year.</p> <p>5 days range from £164-£290 depending on the time of year.</p>
<b>The Bushcraft Company</b>	<p>The Woods are a great place to start your adventures with The Bushcraft Company. Living in the wild, sleeping under canvas and cooking over open fires, these residential school trips will take your students on an unforgettable journey of self-discovery.</p> <p>The original Bushcraft Company adventure, school trips in The Woods include a wide range of activities, designed to enhance social and personal development, whilst having fun and learning new skills. From bushcraft, shelter-building, and wilderness cookery, to archery, orienteering and roped tree-climbing, no two days are ever the same.</p>	<p><a href="#">Cholmondeley Castle</a> <a href="#">Cornbury Park</a> <a href="#">Hatfield House</a> <a href="#">Penshurst Place</a></p>	<p><a href="http://www.thebushcraftcompany.com/">http://www.thebushcraftcompany.com/</a></p> <p>Prices range from; 3 days for between £145-£165</p> <p>5 days for between £305-£330</p>
<b>Kingswood Centres</b>	<p>Residential school trips for primary schools / special schools</p> <p>We offer a whole range of programmes specially designed to</p>	<p><a href="http://www.kingswood.co.uk/centres">http://www.kingswood.co.uk/centres</a></p> <p>10 Centres to choose from</p>	<p><a href="http://www.kingswood.co.uk/component/k2/item/355-residential-trips-for-primary-schools">http://www.kingswood.co.uk/component/k2/item/355-residential-trips-for-primary-schools</a></p>

	<p>fire imaginations and stimulate the minds of our younger students.</p> <p>All our programmes are tailored to your groups individual needs. We have a number of programmes that are ideally suited to younger students including our Young Explorers module that's a perfect introduction to outdoor learning for KS1 students and our popular Transition programme specifically developed with the start of a new school year in mind.</p>		
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## Useful links for places to visit:

### Learning outside the classroom

The Council for Learning Outside the Classroom is the national voice for learning outside the classroom. We believe that every young person (0-19yrs) should experience the world beyond the classroom as an essential part of learning and personal development, whatever their age, ability or circumstances.

Whether you are an education practitioner, headteacher, governor or organisation that provides LOTC experiences, this website offers a large range of resources developed with the support of many experts in the field learning outside the classroom. The site is designed to support anyone working with young people aged 0–19 provide high-quality educational experiences

<http://www.lotc.org.uk/>

### UK School Trips

UK School Trips is a free resource for teachers and other educational group trip organisers, to research, plan and book their own school trips and educational visits quickly and easily, direct with venues, accommodation, transport and workshop providers for great support, best value, great discounts and free teacher places.

<http://www.ukschooltrips.co.uk/>

## Bringing the residential experience to school

Increasingly, a number of schools have begun to offer school based residential experiences, working with providers to deliver some of the traditional activities and offering an overnight camping experience on the school grounds.

The number of providers offering this service is increasing. Below is a list of 3 that local schools have used successfully.

Provider	Information	Contact
Allnatt Camps	<p>Mobile Adventure and School Camps</p> <p>Choose from 3 themed Camp Programmes tailored for Key Stage 1 &amp; Key Stage 2 and you are guaranteed a special blend of outdoor learning, camping and fun all delivered just for you and your students.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.allnattcamps.co.uk/">http://www.allnattcamps.co.uk/</a></p> <p>01929 421075  <a href="mailto:enquiries@allnatt.co.uk">enquiries@allnatt.co.uk</a>  Correspondence Address:  The Chatsworth Centre  Ullwell Road  Swanage  Dorset  BH19 1LG</p>
Compass Adventures	<p>Compass Adventure's KS1 &amp; KS2 programmes are ideal for primary schools. As we bring the adventure to your school grounds, teacher will have significantly less to organise, parents are comforted to know that their child is nearby and kids can have their first overnight experience in familiar surrounding. Our programmes are pitched according to the age of the kids and give them a great adventure without leaving your school ground!</p>	<p><a href="http://compassadventure.co.uk/activities/">http://compassadventure.co.uk/activities/</a></p> <p>Compass Adventure  The Croft  Pine Croft  Winksley  North Yorkshire  HG4 3NP  <b>Tel:</b> 0845 459 0709  <b>email:</b> <a href="mailto:info@compassadventure.co.uk">info@compassadventure.co.uk</a></p>
Ace Adventures UK	<p>Ace Adventures &amp; Development are a development company who utilise the outdoor environment to develop skills for life. Such skills are transferrable through the key stages of education, into further education and eventually the work place. The attributes gained are taught in such a way that will coincide with skills and qualities taught in the classroom.</p> <p>With our Team Challenge courses we bring our practical leadership and development tasks and activities to you. These courses are designed with our clients ease and safety in mind and are carried out within your School grounds or at a nearby open space.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.aceadventureuk.com/#!programs/ckqh">http://www.aceadventureuk.com/#!programs/ckqh</a></p> <p>Tel: 07886 465 445  Email: <a href="mailto:ian.ace.adventure@gmail.com">ian.ace.adventure@gmail.com</a></p> <p>36 Valleyside, Warners End,  Hemel Hempstead,  Hertfordshire  HP1 2LN</p>

Schools without grounds may prefer to access local venues that offer activities in a day trip package, without the overnight stay. Local providers include:

Provider	Information	Contact
<b>Hillingdon Outdoor Activity Centre</b>	HOAC is open to pre-booked schools and groups from 9am – 5pm seven days a week throughout the year, plus evenings (Tuesday – Friday) from May to August. There are a wide range of activities available to suit all abilities from age seven upwards of which Team Building, Climbing and Sailing are a few.	<a href="http://www.hoac.net/groups-home/programs/for-groups-of-30/">http://www.hoac.net/groups-home/programs/for-groups-of-30/</a>  Hillingdon Outdoor Activities Centre Dews Lane Harvil Road Middlesex UB9 6JN email: <a href="mailto:admin@hoac.net">admin@hoac.net</a> tel: 01895 824171 fax: 01895 824273
<b>Colne Valley Park</b>	<p>The Colne Valley Park Visitor Centre provides all the facilities you need for a successful trip including a small shop and toilets. There is also a car park and an area for coaches to park.</p> <p><b>Outdoor programmes</b>  Iver Environment Centre run the outdoor program at the Visitor Centre all year round but do get very busy in the summer so book early to avoid disappointment.</p> <p>Schools are also able to come and do their own visits. Denham Country Park is ideal for river dipping, river studies and nature walks, and we also have developed a junior and senior orienteering course. Maps are available for purchase from the Visitor Centre, and we have compasses that can be hired with prior arrangement.</p>	<a href="http://www.colnevalleypark.org.uk/projects/education">http://www.colnevalleypark.org.uk/projects/education</a>  For more information on the education program please call Richard Pollard or Kate Masters on 01895 270730  <b>Colne Valley Park Visitor Centre</b> Denham Court Drive Denham UB9 5PG
<b>Canal &amp; River Explorers: West London</b>	<p>Canals and rivers offer inspiring ways to bring learning to life. Take part in guided walks along stretches of canal or river local to your school learning about local wildlife, history &amp; geography.</p> <p><b>Age Ranges 5 - 11</b></p>	<a href="https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers/teachers/london">https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers/teachers/london</a>  <b>Address</b> Harbour Masters Office 24 Canute House Durham Wharf Drive Brentford Greater London TW88HP  <b>Contact Details</b> Elaine Stanley <a href="mailto:elaine.stanley@canalrivertrust.org.uk">elaine.stanley@canalrivertrust.org.uk</a> 07733124565

For schools in Ealing, please visit this webpage below, to ensure that all health and safety requirements have been met, prior to any trip of visit.

<https://www.egfl.org.uk/facilities/emergency-planning/educational-and-recreational-visits>

## Funding

The following links may support schools to access additional funds towards the costs of trips and visits.

Funder	What might they fund?	Contact
<b>Henry Smith's Charity</b>	Recently funded projects include Berridge Junior School which received £1,000 towards a day trip to the seaside for 160 school children from a disadvantaged area of Nottingham; Thrybergh Primary School received £2,500 towards a residential trip to an activity centre in Lancashire for a group of disadvantaged children from South Yorkshire;	<a href="http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/holiday-grants-for-children.html">http://www.henrysmithcharity.org.uk/holiday-grants-for-children.html</a>
<b>Family Holiday Association</b>	Group trip applications can be submitted at any time after 16th November; however they only make decisions four times a year. This will help make sure that we fund a good range of projects from across the country that are making a big difference for families.  Head to the <a href="#">Referrer's Area</a> of this site to submit an application through the website. You will need to <a href="#">register first</a> if this is the first time you have worked with FHA. You can download and print a crib sheet with a summary of the information asked for <a href="#">here</a> .	<a href="http://www.familyholidayassociation.org.uk/">http://www.familyholidayassociation.org.uk/</a>
<b>FSC Kids Fund The Kids Fund is part of the Field Studies Council (FSC).</b>	School groups may apply if they are aiming to provide benefits which are additional to the statutory school curriculum or clearly show added value, depth and breadth to the taught curriculum. FSC Kids Fund will not pay for young people to attend standard curriculum-focused FSC courses.  FSC Kids Fund will pay for up to 80% of the course fee for groups of disadvantaged young people to attend a non-curriculum day or residential course at an FSC Learning Location. This includes all equipment, tuition and waterproof hire costs. Food and accommodation are included for residential courses. One free staff/adult place is provided for every 12 young people; additional adults pay 20% +VAT.  <b>When can we apply?</b> There are three funding rounds each year which close on 1st March, 1st June and 1st November.	<a href="http://www.field-studies-council.org/about/fsc-kids-fund.aspx">http://www.field-studies-council.org/about/fsc-kids-fund.aspx</a>  <a href="#">FSC Kids Fund Application form (word)</a>  Please complete the application form and post it or email it to Kids Fund at:  <b>Kids Fund</b> FSC Head Office Preston Montford Montford Bridge Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 1HW <a href="mailto:kidsfund@field-studies-council.org">kidsfund@field-studies-council.org</a>

	<p>You may apply at any time and your application will be held until the next decision round.</p>	
<p>School Explorer Fund – John Lyons Charity</p>	<p>The School Explorer Fund is open to all state primary schools and special schools (primary or secondary) in the <a href="#">Charity's beneficial area</a>.</p> <p>Grants awarded under this fund are available to help schools access and take part in Arts activities at the many high class institutions in London. Activities could include visits to the theatre, a musical experience or to a museum or art gallery.</p> <p>To apply, you must describe which activity you would like to participate in, explain why your school wishes to do it and how it will add value to the school experience for your pupils. You must also show that your school has an existing commitment to the Arts.</p> <p>There is no restriction on which institution you can visit, but should be within London. The activity you choose must enhance the current activities of the class or year group and be the kind of experience that the children do not normally have access to.</p> <p>Suggestions for suitable requests include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• travel costs (including coach costs) to venues within London</li> <li>• match funding for ticket prices (i.e. if the school is paying for one class to participate in an activity the Charity could be asked to support the costs of enabling a second class to also take part)</li> <li>• a contribution towards the costs of participating in a venue-based education programme</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://jlc.london/schools/what-we-fund-in-schools/school-explorer-fund/">http://jlc.london/schools/what-we-fund-in-schools/school-explorer-fund/</a></p> <p>Grants under the School Explorer Fund are assessed throughout the year and are not subject to deadlines. Applications can be made for up to £2,000.</p> <p><a href="#">Download the School Explorer Fund Application Form here.</a></p>