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Forests for learning

Activities, challenges and events in your local forest



New lesson plans for your forest visits

A visit to the forest provides endless opportunities for learning, and offers freedom for children to develop outside the constraints of the classroom. With more than 1500 Forestry Commission woods and forests in England, there might be one closer to your school than you realise.

This is why we are continuously developing new learning activities and resources for schools and groups to use in the forest. Free **KS1 and KS2 curriculum-linked lesson plans** on the website include: art, minibeasts, materials, senses and geography.



Seasonal forest challenges

Don't be put off by the cold weather! **Download our ten winter challenges** and learn all about your local forest. Challenges include tree dressing and searching for footprints and different trees, and if you complete all ten, we'll send you a certificate.

There's also a **winter wordsearch and winter spotter guide** to keep you busy during your visit to the forest. Look out for our ten challenges for Spring from March 1st.



Coming up in March 2015

Trees and forests are really important in the battle against climate change and we are proud to be supporting Climate Week 2015. Our Climate Change trail will be available at several sites across the country in March (**contact us to find your nearest forest**). You can also download our **Climate**

Change activity sheet, which can be used in any forest at any time.

We really hope to welcome you and your class to one of our forests some time soon. If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to **get in touch**. If you would like to continue to receive these updates from the Forestry Commission learning team, or if you would like them to be sent to an alternative email address, **please sign up**.

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