



Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre

Activities

2024 season



Adventure activities

Activity	Description	Suitable for/Restrictions
Archery	Individual skills/team competition	All ages
Bushcraft/Survival Skills	Fire, cooking and shelter	All ages (Weather dependant)
Canoeing	Multi person boats. encourages cooperation and teamwork	All ages (younger ages only if boats are rafted together to increase stability). Weather dependant.
Paddle Sports	Multi vessel session; Canoe, Kayak, SUP (Stand Up Paddleboard) try out different types of paddling	Year 4 and above Weather dependant.
Raft Building	Test your team work to build raft to keep you afloat!	Year 4 and above Weather dependant.
Kayaking	Individual skill	Year 4 and above. Weather dependant.
Climbing Wall	Auto belays	Year 1 and above. Weather dependant.
Cycle Skills	Learn to ride or improve your bike handling skills in a simulated environment	Year 3 and above (or based on individual ability)
Mountain Biking	Off road cycling	Year 4 and above (based on ability)
Fencing	Olympic sport of Foil Sword Fencing	All ages
Olympic Style Air Rifle	Target rifle shooting/shooting gallery	All ages

Orienteering / Navigation

Orienteering	Different styles of the sport	All ages
Photo search	Basic orientation	Key stage 1+2 ages
Navigation/Map Reading	Use of map and compass	Year 3 and above
Night Navigation exercises	Hone your skills at night	Year 9 and above
Journeying/Basic Expedition	Navigation and camp skills	Year 5 and above



Walking (Local area)

Fosbury Iron Age Hill Fort Walk (<i>Very Popular</i>)	Iron Age Hill Fort, spectacular scenery, history talk, Celts & Romans Battle Game. (3 miles or 5 1/2 round trip)	Year 3 and above (for younger ages 3-mile option with mini bus to drop off point is available)
Kennet & Avon Canal Walk (<i>Very Popular</i>)	Varied Scenery including the canal and woodland of Bedwyn Brail, other features include Crofton Pumping Station and Wilton Windmill. Nature and history talk and sketching opportunities. (5 1/2-mile circular walk) Guided Tour of Windmill	Year 3 and above
Hangman's Walk	Coombe Gibbet/Walbury Hill - features include dramatic scenery, gibbet and Iron Age Hill Fort, history talk (5 1/2 miles one way)	Year 3 and above
Windmill Walk	Scenic walk to Wilton Windmill includes talks on local nature and history talk and guided tour of Wilton Windmill. (2 1/2 miles)	Year 3 and above
Spooky Alley Walk (Daytime Walk)	From the Centre onto the Downs, looking over the Pewsey Vale, Northern Salisbury Plain and distant views of the Savernake Forest (2 ½ miles circular walk)	Year 1 and above



Walking (Local area) – night / evening walks

Spooky Alley Night Walk (<i>Very Popular</i>)	Brave your fear of the dark and the mud in the infamous “Spooky Alley”. Ghost stories optional. (2 ½ miles circular walk)	Year 3 and above
Evening Nature Walk	Walk through the local countryside and woodland around the village. (1 -2 miles variable)	Reception – year 4

Team building / problem solving activities.

Outdoor Problem Solving	Team Building	Year 3 and above
Indoor Problem Solving	Team Building	Year 3 and above
Shelter Building	Team Building - v/popular	All ages (Weather dependant)

Environmental studies

Mini Beast Hunting	Simple Keys / ID Charts	Key stage 1+2
Stream Survey and Stream Dipping	Simple Keys / ID Charts	Key stage 1+2
Tree Identification	Simple Keys / ID Charts	Key stage 1+2
Bird Identification	Simple Keys / ID Charts	Key stage 1+2

Woodland activities

Shelter Building	Team Building - v/popular	All ages (Weather dependant)
Woodland Art and Sculpture	Using forest materials	Key stage 1+2
Mini Beast Hunting	Simple Keys / ID Charts	Key stage 1+2



Offsite activities

Mountain day ¹	Summitting the highest point in the Brecon Beacons - Pen-Y-Fan	Year 5 and above
Mountain day	Summitting the highest point in the Black Mountains – Waun Fach	Year 5 and above
Outdoor rock climbing	Climbing and belaying at the fantastic Burrington coombe in North Somerset	Year 5 and above



Corporate groups / staff days out / activities

Team building away from the office to ensure a high performing group and achieve enjoyment whilst doing it!

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SERE	Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape 3-to-4-day survival course being taught the essentials of shelter building, fire construction, water purification, navigation and more, culminating in a final assessment phase whilst being pursued by a live hunter force by foot, vehicle, and air!	Adult

¹ Mountain days for minors are restricted to smaller groups – please call for information.

Curriculum enrichment days – History/literacy/drama

Need help with a history topic? Oxenwood can help. We bring history to life with our historical themed enrichment days, where we meet our ancestors close up, and through a range of interactive and action oriented workshops. We cover most periods, from our Stone Age ancestors to the present day. Days we have organised for schools include:

Era	Includes
Stone Age Man	Hunter gatherers, the mobile “supermarket” and the birth of Farming
Celts and Ancient Britons	Druids, rebellion, and hillforts
Romans	The Army, invasion, and daily life
King Arthur	The legend and the hero from history
Angles and Saxons	Rune swords, riddles, and the forging of England
Beowulf	Heroes and monsters
Alfred the Great	Burnt cakes, heroic battles, and strong rule.
The Vikings	Long ships, raiding and invading!
1066	The Year of Battles; the defeat of the Vikings and the coming of the Normans; Stamford Bridge and Hastings
Knights and Castles	Squires, jousts, and fair and fierce maidens
Tudors	A King, Queens, the executioner’s axe, and the age of exploration
Pirates	Cutlasses, buried treasure and skulls and crossbones
Wiltshire in the Civil War	Waller and Hopton ... gunpowder and sieges
1666 – The Great Fire	A king, a diary, a war, and disaster
1914 – Lord Kitchener’s new army	Enlistment, basic training, and the frontline.
WW2 – The Home Front	Experience what life was like in wartime Britain, join the home guard, do your bit for the war effort.



First aid training courses

On Site Training²

Delivered on site at Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre, Marlborough SN8 3NQ.

Course Name	Time
Activity First Aid - FAA Level 3 Award	2 day
Annual Refresher for First Aiders	Half day
Appointed Person	2 hour
Basic Life Support - FAA Level 2	3 hours
Emergency First Aid at Work - FAA Level 3 Award	1 day
First Aid at Work Re-qualification - FAA Level 3	2 day
First Aid at Work - FAA Level 3	3 day
First Aid for Mental Health - FAA Level 2 Award	1 day
First Aid for Mental Health Awareness - FAA Level 1 Award	4 hours
First Aid for Mental Health Supervising - FAA Level 3 Award	2 day
First Aid for <u>Youth</u> Mental Health - FAA Level 2 Award	1 day
First Aiders for Mental Health Annual Refresher	Half day
Paediatric Emergency First Aid - FAA Level 3	1 day
Paediatric First Aid - FAA Level 3	2 day

Contact information:

If you need to contact us before or after your visit, you should email:

Enquiries@Oxenwoodcentre.com or call 01380 732806.

² Accommodation and meals can be offered during multi-day courses