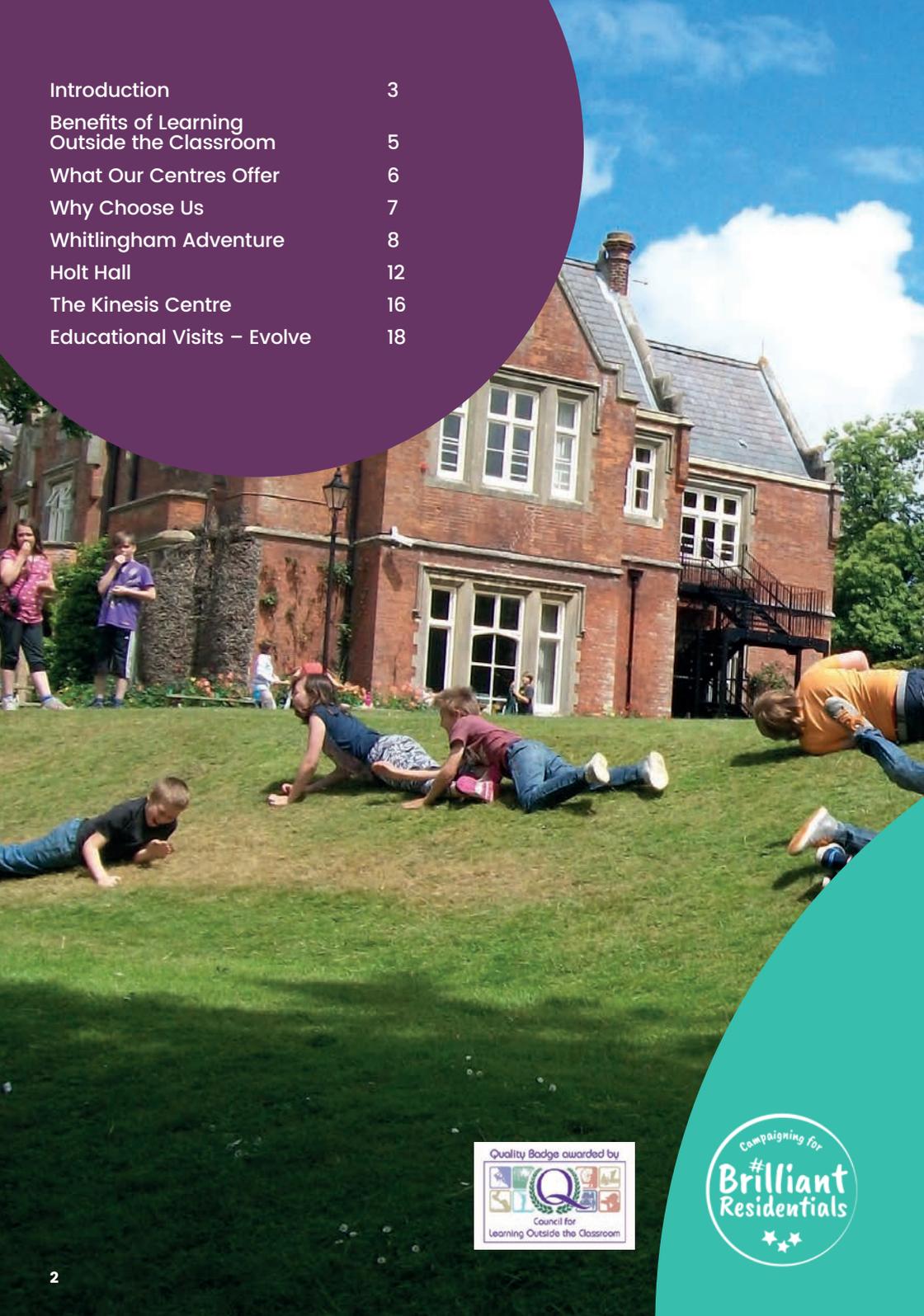


# Inspirational opportunities outside the classroom



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## Introduction

Inspiring learning for children and young people through high quality specialist delivery and exciting venues...

The Council for Learning Outside the Classroom believes that every young person should experience the world beyond the classroom as an essential part of learning and personal development, whatever their age, ability or circumstances.

Learning outside the classroom helps to deliver the curriculum more effectively and reinforce students' learning. Engaged young people

make the best progress and at Educator Solutions, our services and products recognise the context in which young people are learning can play a really important role in enhancing their progress.

Our centres have earned the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge which is the nationally recognised indicator of good quality educational provision. It is awarded only after a set of quality indicators has been met and maintained.



Multi-activity adventure centre based within the Broads National Park, close to Norwich.



Residential, day visits and camping experiences set in 75 acres of beautiful North Norfolk countryside.



Located at Norwich City Football Club which hosts our specialist STEM programme.

To help you plan and organise your educational experiences our Educational Visits Advisory Service offers specialist advice, support and monitoring of all aspects of educational visits both nationally and internationally including risk management and emergency support.

It is important to us that we meet the specific priorities of schools and the individual needs of young people. We can deliver an educational experience that has lasting impact on each and every child, or young person which continues long after their visit is over.





## Benefits of Learning Outside the Classroom

Learning outside the classroom is widely recognised as having a powerful and positive impact on learner engagement and achievement.

Active learning helps students to become more independent learners and deepens their understanding of a subject through seeing it in action.

For more information on the benefits of learning outside the classroom, outdoor learning and residential experiences visit:

[www.lotc.org.uk](http://www.lotc.org.uk)  
[www.englishoutdoorcouncil.org](http://www.englishoutdoorcouncil.org)  
[www.learningaway.org.uk](http://www.learningaway.org.uk)



## Learning Outcomes

 Teamwork	 Self Confidence
 Communication Skills	 Problem Solving
 Resilience	 Independence
 Leadership Skills	 Co-ordination/Dexterity



When planned and implemented well, learning outside the classroom contributed significantly to raising standards and improving pupils' personal, social and emotional development."

OFSTED, LOTC: HOW FAR SHOULD YOU GO? 2008

### Outdoor Benefits

Outdoor learning helps improve health and wellbeing, environmental awareness, physical agility, co-ordination and dexterity as well as developing new skills.

### Residential Benefits

Residentials offer additional benefits: improved relationships between peers, and between staff and students, as well as shared experiences to strengthen a sense of community and develop cohesion.

# What Our Centres Offer



	KS1	KS2	KS3	KS4	Post 16
Half Day Visits	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Full Day Visits	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



	KS1	KS2	KS3	KS4	A-Level/Post 16
Full Day Visits	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Residentials	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Camping		✓	✓	✓	✓



	KS1	KS2	KS3
Half Day Visits	✓	✓	✓
Full Day Visits	✓	✓	✓

# Why Choose Us



**22,784 VISITS**

In the last year (2016) the Educational Visits Advisory Service dealt with a total of 22,784 visits which is equal to a total of 587,260 participant days. It provides experienced and qualified guidance to help you plan and deliver a safe and successful educational experience which complies with national guidelines.

We deliver bespoke, affordable curriculum linked educational experiences from Key Stage 1 to A-level. These include half day and full day visits together with 1 to 4 night residentials which can include camping or a stay at the 75 bed, fully-catered Holt Hall.



**KEY STAGE 1 TO A-LEVEL**



**OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY**

We offer a huge range of activities in a wide variety of locations including two in areas of outstanding natural beauty: Holt Hall, a beautiful atmospheric Victorian mansion nestled in 75 acres of secluded woodland just 4 miles from the North Norfolk coast, whilst Whitlingham Adventure is set at the gateway to the Broads National Park with over 280 acres of water, woodland and meadow to explore.

Nationally qualified and experienced staff, combined with high quality materials and resources mean you can be assured of a first class teaching and learning experience which achieves your learning outcomes.



**Qualified STAFF**



**ACCESSIBLE & INCLUSIVE**

We are committed to being an accessible and inclusive provider and both our day and residential experiences offer options for everyone.



**The beautiful location of Whitlingham Adventure boasts over a mile of open water, acres of country park, a modern purpose built centre and a team of highly qualified staff. It provides outdoor education programmes for children and young people of all ages and abilities and is the perfect place to start your outdoor learning adventure.**

Working in partnership with schools we create bespoke educational programmes with a range of practical, adventurous activities on either water or land.

These activities introduce new skills, promote the benefits of physical exercise and are an excellent way to boost confidence and self-esteem. Programmes can also be used to develop leadership and communication skills.

Cross curricular activities are available that combine a variety of environments and learning activities, and enhance the curriculum in areas such as geography and science.

Whitlingham Adventure is the ideal venue for young people to complete sections across all levels of the Duke of Edinburgh award and is a Children's University Learning Destination. Whitlingham Broad campsite is available within the Country Park for school expedition training.



## Curriculum Links

Science

Geography

PE



**Wow! Fabulous afternoon – great activities and super staff – all for a very competitive price. Very highly recommended!**

SECONDARY VISIT LEADER



Choose from a variety of activities to create a bespoke programme tailored to your learning outcomes:

### Adventure – on the Water



Sailing



Windsurfing



Canoeing



Kayaking



Katakanu



Raft Building



Stand Up Paddleboarding

### Adventure – on the Land



Archery



Off Road Biking



Climbing



Bushcraft



Team Challenges



Bouldering



Orienteering



## High Quality Outdoor Learning

All activities delivered at Whitlingham Adventure comply with the relevant National Governing Body (NGB) and with the Adventurous Activity Licensing Authority (AALA).

Safety is paramount and our experienced and qualified instructors ensure that all our activities are delivered safely whilst enabling young people to have fun, explore and learn through adventure and challenge.

Young people are encouraged to take responsibility, develop self-awareness and help each other, whilst learning new skills.

### Teacher training and Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

We offer training opportunities in outdoor and environmental learning, activity leadership, nationally recognised instructor qualifications and outdoor first aid. The centre is also ideal for team building, team meetings and wellbeing sessions.

Contact the centre to book your school's staff FREE taster session. This can be used to find out what we deliver, have a go at some of the activities or as a pre-visit tour and introduction.



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## Holt Hall specialises in using the outdoors and environment to develop skills and raise knowledge and achievement.

Set in woodland, lakes, fields, lawns and gardens, it provides a wealth of opportunities for learning outside the classroom. Offering both day visits and affordable residential experiences all year round, the centre provides a happy and stimulating learning environment. Students are encouraged to explore their relationship with others and the environment. Our campsite offers alternative accommodation and a base for Duke of Edinburgh expeditions.

### Designing your programme

We specialise in creating bespoke packages tailored to meet your needs. Our cost effective programmes can be tailored to your school improvement

and development priorities while meeting the specific learning needs of pupils.

The courses are co-planned with each school and organisation of the programme and option choice is very flexible: activities can be teacher led, delivered by centre staff or co-delivered.

In-depth, inquiry-based environmental, scientific and geographical studies can be linked with team-building sessions or innovative activities that focus on literacy or numeracy through the outdoors. A 'themed' programme, with individual activities complementing and building on each other, can be a useful approach to learning outside the classroom.



### Curriculum Links

Science	Literacy
History	PE
Geography	Art
Maths	



**Students with low confidence have had the opportunity to shine at Holt Hall."**

PRIMARY VISIT LEADER





Choose from a variety of activities to create a bespoke programme tailored to your learning outcomes.



**Raft Building**



**Orienteering**



**Bushcraft and Den Building**



**Woodland Games and Exploration**



**Woodland Habitats**



**Environmental Art**



**Freshwater Habitats**



**Laboratory – Microscopes, Specialist Equipment**



**Investigations and Enquiries**



**Team Building**



**River Exploring – off-site**



**Rock Pooling – off-site**



**Coastal Erosion – off-site**



**Coastal Habitats – off-site**



## High Quality Learning Outside the Classroom

Being located only a few miles from stunning coastal landscapes and with access to a complete river from source to mouth, Holt Hall is the ideal base for environmental, scientific and geographical studies. We offer a range of activities which introduce students to the equipment and techniques of investigations and fieldwork from Key Stage 2 onwards. At advanced level these include random and systematic sampling approaches, biotic and abiotic data collection, plant and animal investigations, terrestrial and freshwater habitats.

### A level sessions include:

A Case Study of Coastal Erosion/Coastal Flooding, Coastal Processes, Rivers and Management, Woodland Ecology, Terrestrial Invertebrates, Water Quality, Sand Dunes, Saltmarsh, Heathland, Rocky Shore, Energy Flow in an Eco System and Population Studies.

### Key Stage 3/4 sessions include:

Investigative Geography/Science, Variation and Classification, Classification and Keys, Plant Adaptation, The River Glaven, Water Pollution, Coastal Erosion and Coastal Processes.

### Residential Experiences

Our residential experiences range from 1 to 4 nights and can be based in the Victorian country house or in our large, secluded campsite located within the grounds of the hall. Social and unstructured time is facilitated and viewed as an integral and essential learning opportunity. You can mix and match the facilities to give pupils the opportunity to experience nights away both indoors and under the stars.



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**Based at the Kinesis Centre, STEM provides exciting and challenging student-centred, inquiry-based educational experiences that are cross disciplinary in nature and relevant to the real world.**

Students develop analytical and creative skills through investigation and problem solving tasks. STEM education moves beyond an emphasis on simple test performance and focuses instead on developing higher level thinking skills.

**JitterBugs**

The JitterBugs session allows pupils to design a creature (the JitterBug) which adapts to a habitat and has characteristics which are in line with a species group. By the end of the session pupils have learnt about different species groups and their characteristics, as well as species adaption and habitats.

**Robotics Roadshow**

The Robotics Roadshow makes coding fun, accessible and easy to teach.

It helps educate pupils on the fundamental principles of computer science via these unique, programmable, quick-fit construction kits which can be built into multiple exciting robots! Pupils learn about the different types of robots used every day.

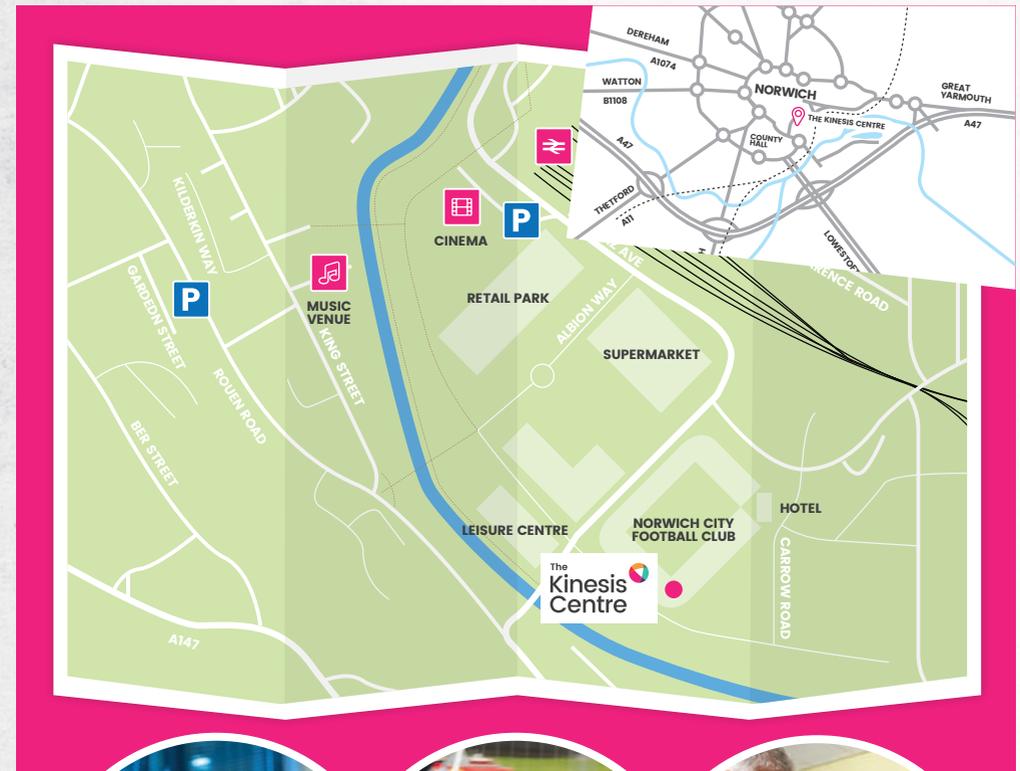
**Outbreak**

Students undertake a mission to solve the outbreak of a mystery illness using scientific clues to challenge their understanding, reasoning and problem solving. Aspects of the science curriculum covered include; the development of scientific thinking, exploring health and disease and the human body. Organising information, processing data and technology skills are all applied to solve the mystery.

**Contact Us**

The range of exciting STEM activities is growing all the time. For more information on the products, programmes and events STEM is involved in or to discuss a bespoke package tailored to your particular needs please contact the STEM Coordinator at [STEM@educatorsolutions.org.uk](mailto:STEM@educatorsolutions.org.uk) or on **01603 307715**.

You can also keep up to date with the latest developments by following the STEM Twitter page ([@STEM\\_Kinesis](https://twitter.com/STEM_Kinesis)).



**Curriculum Links**

Science

Technology

ICT

Maths



**The day was really well organised with fantastic resources in a brilliant venue. The children had a fantastic time.”**

PRIMARY VISIT LEADER

# Educational Visits Advisory Service (EVAS)

## What we offer:



**EVOLVE**



Advice, support and monitoring of all aspects of educational visits including risk management.

Online planning system for educational visits with review and approval procedures for specific visit types ensuring that arrangements reflect national guidance and current good practice.

A wide range of courses delivered centrally and bespoke educational visits training at school sites to equip you with the skills to take students on trips both within the UK and internationally.

## Training Courses

Nationally recognised and accredited educational visits coordinator (EVC) training, heads and EVC update training, EVC admin support training, visit leader training (theory and practical), residential and overseas visit leader training, snowsport course organiser and emergency point of contact training for individuals. It is also possible to arrange training for staff on a whole school, cluster or federation basis with regard to Evolve and visit planning and leadership.



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Educational Visits  
Training Courses





**Every child should be given the opportunity to experience life and lessons beyond the classroom walls as a regular part of growing up. These experiences expand the horizons of young people, opening their eyes to the wonders of areas such as art, heritage, culture, adventure and the natural world.”**

THE COUNCIL FOR LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM