

What to expect from Educational Visits at Ardley Hill

At Ardley Hill we aim to have a wide variety of educational visits available for all the children throughout their time with us. Below are some examples of previous educational visits that the children have been on.

- Christmas trip to the pantomime
- Residential trip to Dell farm
- Ashridge
- Whipsnade Zoo
- Overseas trip to France
- Welwyn Roman Baths
- Snow centre
- Mead Open Farm
- Cadburys world

We also enjoy many other visits including a torch light procession, harvest festival, remembrance day parade, various singing competitions such as 'Sing Out' and sports festivals which include dodge ball, football, tennis and tag rugby.

Aims and Objectives

Our aim is to give all children the opportunity to experience new concepts and new experiences. We also aim to provide a broad and balanced curriculum which we believe educational visits can be a key feature of.

Ardley Hill Academy Educational Visits Policy 2018

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What do we mean by Educational Visits?

Educational visits are visits away from the school grounds including outdoor adventure activities and visits to the local community. Educational visits can be a day trip, residential or over-seas trips.

Benefits of Educational Visits

'Learning outside the classroom helps to bring the curriculum to life - it provides deeper subject learning and increases self-confidence. It also helps pupils develop their risk awareness and prepares them for their future working lives. Striking the right balance between protecting pupils from risk and allowing them to learn from school trips has been a challenge for many schools, but getting this balance right is essential for realising all these benefits in practice.' (Health and safety Executive, 2011).