



THE LOOKOUT 
Discovery Centre, Hyde Park



BRING LEARNING TO LIFE!

**Curriculum based outdoor
sessions in Hyde Park**
For ages 4 to 11



DISCOVER, EXPLORE & LEARN

Children are happier, healthier and more creative when they have first-hand contact with nature.¹

Although many children grow up in the city without their own outdoor space, there are still plenty of opportunities to explore.

The Royal Parks provide a wealth of natural environments and hidden stories in the heart of London. Let's reconnect children with nature and create memories that will last a lifetime!

¹. YouGov poll, commissioned by The Wildlife Trusts (October 2015)

WORLD CLASS RESOURCES TO INSPIRE LEARNING

The LookOut Discovery Centre is a unique, eco-friendly building nestled in an acre of enclosed grounds in the heart of Hyde Park.

We use the park's natural resources to engage your students and give them the chance to interact with the wildlife around us.

Our gardens and indoor spaces are practical all year round, whatever the weather.

The two bright and airy Discovery Rooms can host 30 students each and our grounds include a pond, minibeast areas and sensory planting.

We are fully accessible and the building is SEND compliant, including wide paths, toilets and a fully fitted sensory room.



We hold a Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge, the only nationally recognised award that helps teachers identify high quality educational experiences in a safe environment.





BRING LEARNING TO LIFE FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Sessions are half days unless otherwise stated and run between 10AM-12PM or 1PM-3PM. Combine two sessions to make a full day.

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE SESSIONS

People who help us in Hyde Park

Join Percy the Park Keeper and his animal friends to help with work in the park.

Where would I hide?

Take a closer look at bugs on a minibeast hunt and see how clever camouflage can be.

Animals like us

Explore the similarities and differences between ourselves and the creatures around us.

Growing and changing

An early look at lifecycles based seasonally on caterpillars and tadpoles.

Exploring outdoors

Use the senses to discover the different seasons, explore the park and make some natural art.



CAN'T MAKE IT TO THE LOOKOUT?
We can bring Hyde Park into your school hall with our "Grow Your Classroom" session (KS2)

KS1 AND KS2 SESSIONS

Senses (KS1)

Use all the senses to explore the local environment, including living creatures in the park.

Life cycles (KS1)

Pond dip and bug hunt to learn how creatures change as they grow.

Habitats (KS1 & KS2) – Full Day Session

Bug hunt, pond dip and birdwatch in the park to find out about its animals and plants. Use microscopes and other equipment to take a closer look.

Dirty hands, green fingers (KS1 & KS2)

Find out how plants grow and take a close look at their structure. Plant a seed to take home. This session is also available in Kensington Gardens allotment.

Talk about the weather (KS1 & KS2)

Observe, measure and record the weather using simple equipment. Be a forecaster!

Maps and orienteering (KS1 & KS2)

After practicing map and compass work, set off on an orienteering adventure around Hyde Park.

Sustainability (KS2)

Find out what makes our building sustainable and ways to live that are good for planet Earth.

Pirates in the park (KS2) – Full Day Session

Science, geography, history and art combine in this exciting day-long adventure! Come dressed as pirates to navigate across the park and reach the escape ship at the Diana Memorial Playground.

Focus on life in the pond, trees or undergrowth (KS1 & KS2)

A half-day to examine one of the park's habitats and use microscopes to observe its inhabitants.

Exploring spring, summer autumn or winter (KS1 & KS2)

A seasonal session combining art, science and games to explore the park.

VISIT WWW.ROYALPARKS.ORG.UK/LEARNHYDEPARK FOR MORE DETAILS

PLANNING YOUR TRIP

We are easily accessible by public transport; there are plenty of bus stops nearby and we are only a short walk from Marble Arch station (Central Line) and Hyde Park Corner (Piccadilly Line).

TO HELP YOU PLAN YOUR TRIP WE OFFER:

- A personal booking service
- Detailed visit information regarding travel, preparation and clothing
- The opportunity to visit in advance of your trip
- Risk assessment details
- Session and activity outlines



Costs:

We offer sessions on a half or full day basis. There is no charge for accompanying adults to attend.

FULL DAY:

- 10AM-3PM
- Cost: £198 (+VAT)
- Equivalent to £6.60 per student*
- 4 hours of teaching

HALF DAY:

- 10AM-12PM or 1PM-3PM
- Cost: £110 (+VAT)
- Equivalent to £3.60 per student*
- 2 hours of teaching

*Based on a class size of 30 students

Bursaries scheme

We offer free bursaries to schools that can demonstrate a need, so price shouldn't be a barrier. Just ask at the time of booking.



“Caters for all kinds of learners. Great hands-on experience for the children”

ST AUGUSTINE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

**“Thank you for a great morning!
We felt like real scientists”**

KING SOLOMON ACADEMY

To make a booking or for further details, please get in touch:



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