
'Bringing the outside in' - embedding ICT in outdoor learning

Date	Time	Venue	Course Code	Event Ref.
27/06/2011	09:30 - 16:30	Holt Hall Field Studies Centre	ECNH4	A

Course Context/Audience:

A one-day course for all teachers and practitioners with an interest in outdoor learning. In recent years, advances in technology have expanded the potential to embed ICT in activities out-of-doors, ranging from traditional fieldwork at Key Stage 4 to the exploration of school grounds and the local environment at Primary Level.

The day will introduce candidates to a variety of techniques (now cheaply and readily available) that can be used to enhance the outdoor learning experience. Through digital photography and sound recording, video technology, GPS and online tools we will explore the resources at your disposal to integrate ICT into learning outside the classroom.

Learning to recognise different animals and plants is often cited as one of the most frequently encountered problems when teaching outside. Part of the day will be spent using 'iSpot' a new educational website from the Open University that focuses on wildlife identification through the use of on-line keys and web support.

Please note that delegates will need to be dressed for working outdoors at this time of year, with wellies or stout outdoor shoes/boots. Lunch and refreshments will be provided - please communicate with the venue regarding any dietary requirements (01263 713117). A map to the venue is available at www.cpd.norfolk.gov.uk/sdms/maps/maps.htm

Pre-course information will be sent to you via the school office so please check with them nearer the time.

This INSET is run in partnership with the Environmental and Outdoor Learning Team. The course is subsidised by The Open University.

Objectives:

By the end of the course, participants will have:

1. increased their confidence, understanding and skills relating to using ICT outdoors
2. developed an awareness of how new technology may enhance traditional 'fieldwork' activities
3. discovered a new approach to wildlife identification with the iSpot website

Course Leader/s: Rob Coleman (The Open University) in partnership with Environmental and Outdoor Learning Team.

Phase: All schools

Fee: Norfolk LA Schools and Governors - £90
External Clients - £99

Car Sharing: Within the Council we are trying hard to reduce our Carbon footprint and save resources by encouraging delegates to car share wherever possible. You may also wish to visit the liftshare website (www.liftshare.com) which is very useful for both routine and one off journeys.

Closing Date: 24/06/2011

How to book:

To apply for a place on this activity please visit our website at:

<http://www.cpd.norfolk.gov.uk/sdms/>

Or complete a booking form and return it to:

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