



Your Early Years and Key Stage 1 children could be visiting Houghton Hall Estate as an outdoor learning resource – FREE OF CHARGE

Houghton Estate (between Fakenham and King's Lynn) has been open for local schools and settings to visit in a self-guided capacity since 2003. Lord Cholmondeley is keen that local children have the opportunity to explore the beautiful Estate so has worked in partnership with Norfolk County Council and Norfolk Wildlife Trust to develop the educational facilities; primarily for Early Years and Key Stage 1 children.

This year we welcome all Early Years and Key Stage 1 groups from across Norfolk to make visits to this inspiring landscape. Knowing that time, finding the appropriate location, and money can all be barriers to quality learning out of doors, we have tried hard to relieve these pressures and provide you with support, resources and learning ideas for the outdoor context. Lord Cholmondeley working with NCC and Norfolk Wildlife Trust most kindly offers schools and settings:

- Free access to the estate and indoor centre
- Free use of resources and kit at Houghton
- Free support and advice on outdoor learning

Groups are encouraged to return as regularly as you can and use the estate to cover a variety of subjects and topics. Although activity ideas and kit are provided, you are welcome to use the Estate as a location to run your own activities.

To start using Houghton Hall Estate as an outdoor learning resource, staff must attend a half day training event. The next training session is on Friday 21st October 2011 - please see the following forthcoming INSET opportunity flier:

http://www.schools.norfolk.gov.uk/myportal/custom/files_uploaded/uploaded_resources/6679/ECNI6AOutdoorandoffsite211011.pdf

To find out more about this project, please visit the Houghton Early Years Outdoor Learning Programme Website here: www.schools.norfolk.gov.uk/go/houghtonhall