



School Improvement Service Educational Visits Advisory Service

Introduction

Educational Visits, Outdoor Learning and Adventurous Activities can be a complex area to manage with children and young people. It is important to have access to an Educational Visits Advisory Service who can understand the challenges and provide appropriate advice and support.

Our advisers are accredited members of the Outdoor Education Advisers' Panel and have considerable experience in leading and managing visits as well as holding senior roles in schools and outdoor education centres.

We have expertise and qualifications in numerous adventurous activities including holding a number of high level and technical adviser qualifications, and also have extensive experience in leading and managing routine everyday visits.

We offer a pragmatic and proportional approach to ensure that children and young people have access to high quality, safe, educational visits and outdoor learning experiences.

Service benefits

The North Yorkshire Educational Visits Advisory Service is responsive and proactive, with advice and support from qualified and competent School Improvement Advisers.

As a customer you have unlimited access to our professional service. We provide model policies, guidance and risk assessment templates for you to use and adapt.

The service uses an online system for the planning and managing of educational visits, with custom questions to enable you to be confident that your visits meet statutory and current practice requirements.

Our flexible approach means we can tailor our service and training to your needs.

With regular communication and access to training events you can be confident that our service provides the best value for educational visits advice.

Supporting high quality educational visits

Key features

Advice and guidance

- Access to a range of policies, guidance and model risk assessments
- Unlimited advice and support by telephone or email from a named adviser
- Visits to your establishment to give further advice and support where required
- Access to our online planning and management system (Evolve)
- Proactive communication informing you of developments or changes in legislation and practice allowing you to keep abreast of your employer and statutory responsibilities

Training

We can offer the following training to support leadership and management of educational visits, either through scheduled courses or if appropriate as bespoke courses at your establishment.

- Educational Visits Co-ordinator
- Educational Visits Co-ordinator revalidation
- Educational Visits Administrative support
- Visit Incident Management
- Visit Leader Theory
- Visit Leader
- Assessing the risk of educational visits
- Educational Visits for Governors
- Making the most of Educational Visits

Meet our experts



Adrian Clarke

Lead Adviser, Learning Beyond the Classroom

Adrian is a geography teacher who has taught and managed predominantly in field study and outdoor education centres. He is an International Mountain Leader and holds a range of other adventurous activities qualifications.

He is an Accredited Member of the Outdoor Education Advisers' Panel as well as an Accredited Practitioner of the Institute of Outdoor Learning and a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society.

Adrian can deliver the full range of Educational Visits Co-ordinator, Visit Leader and Emergency courses as well as courses on delivering high quality educational visits and outdoor learning.



Simon Willis

Learning Beyond the Classroom Adviser

Simon is a geography and outdoor education teacher who has predominantly taught and managed in departments in secondary schools. Before joining North Yorkshire County Council, Simon was the Educational Visits Adviser for Salford City Council.

He is a qualified Mountain Instructor, Mountain Bike coach and technical adviser and holds a range of other adventurous activities qualifications.

Simon is an Accredited Member of the Outdoor Education Advisers' Panel. He is also an Accredited Practitioner of the Institute of Outdoor Learning and a member of the Association of Mountaineering Instructors.



Contact us

To find out more about any of the services we offer and how we can support you please contact the North Yorkshire Education Services team:

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