



Cambridgeshire Environmental Education Service (CEES) would like to invite colleagues with an interest in Learning Outside the Classroom in Primary Schools to:



# CEES Annual Conference 2016

## Raising standards Improving lives

### OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

on **FRIDAY 29 JANUARY 2016, 10am – 4pm**  
at **The Haycock Hotel, Wansford**

Our conference programme comprises a mix of presentations and a choice of practical workshops designed to support subjects across the curriculum, and inspire creative approaches to learning. Topics covered may be of interest to heads, teachers, governors and school support staff.

#### The presenters

- **Elaine Skates, Chief Executive of the Council for Learning Outside the Classroom**

Elaine is a passionate believer in the benefits of learning outside the classroom in raising attainment.

At CLOtC she has been instrumental in developing training and resources, working to ensure the inclusion of LOtC opportunities in the 2014 National Curriculum, and developing the LOtC Quality Badge for educational visit providers. Elaine also serves as a Governor at an Infant school.

- **Ben Wilding, Headteacher, Werrington Primary School, Peterborough and Local Leader of Education**

The curriculum that is very successfully delivered at Werrington Primary School is enriched through an extensive programme of learning outside the classroom both on site and further afield. Ben will be accompanied by colleagues and children from his school who will share their experiences.

- **Jill Foster, Environmental Education Coordinator, Peterborough Environment City Trust**

PECT has an impressive track record in supporting schools with a wide range of projects using the environment to inspire learning. Jill leads the team that delivers projects ranging from Eco Framework to Food for Life.



#### The workshops

Your choice of 2 from 11 options supporting learning outside the classroom in:

<b>English</b>	<b>Maths</b>
<b>Science</b>	<b>ICT</b>
<b>Geography</b>	<b>D &amp; T</b>
<b>History</b>	<b>Music</b>
<b>PSHE</b>	<b>EYFS</b>
<b>Art &amp; design</b>	

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#### The market place

Organisations that support learning outside the classroom will be represented in the exhibition area where delegates will find, information resources, giveaways, and special offers.

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**The venue** Set in the picturesque village of Wansford, the historic Haycock Hotel offers a unique and hospitable environment for our conference. Located in north-west Cambridgeshire, The Haycock is easily accessible beside the intersection of the A1 and A47.

## WORKSHOP OPTIONS

### MORNING WORKSHOPS, 1.1 to 1.5

#### 1.1 Maths outdoors:

##### **A pocketful of puzzles at ks1 and 2**

*Helen Johnston & Caroline Worth, CEES teachers*

Use the natural world to excite and engage your children in mathematics. This workshop will share practical ideas to inspire teachers to apply mathematical knowledge, understanding and skills outside the classroom.

#### 1.2 English outdoors:

##### **From the Gruffalo to Kensuke's Kingdom**

*Nicky Ayscough & Becky Aston, CEES teachers*

Take age appropriate stories and texts into the school grounds to inspire children to engage with fiction and non-fiction writing. There will be a variety of short outdoor activities, which can be used as stand-alone sessions to highlight an aspect of literacy or linked together to form a programme.

#### 1.3 Instilling a love of cooking

*Stephen Brown, Outdoor Education Adviser, Cambridgeshire County Council*

Start with a bag of dry sticks, then create an outdoor experience that your pupils will not easily forget. Outdoor cooking – not on a smoky open fire or hard to light BBQ but with a simple EZY Stove. Come and see how straightforward and creative cooking sessions can become in the school grounds.

#### 1.4 iPad Outdoor Trail

*Sally Elding & Craig Thompson, ICT Service*

Explore how to make good use of the iPad in the outdoor environment, as well as being introduced to apps that can enrich and support learning in Literacy, Maths and Science. This workshop will be a fun, practical, hands-on session where you will have the opportunity to complete a range of activities suitable for use back in schools.

#### 1.5 Making history local

*Andrew Wrenn, History Consultant & Veronica Latham, CEES teacher*

The local area provides a rich resource that can be woven in to the primary history curriculum. This session looks at how to make the most of rich local stories and examine evidence that bring the history of a locality to life.

### AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS, 2.1 to 2.6

#### 2.1 Team development in the school grounds

*Emma Casey (Outreach Lead Instructor) & James Sainsbury, (Chief Instructor), Grafham Water Centre*

A range of practical and unusual team building activities that have proven to develop communication, co-operation, planning and leadership will be included in this interactive workshop. There will also be discussion on how to deliver activities safely.

#### 2.2 Developing map skills outdoors

*Darren Bailey, Digimap*

This interactive map skills session will give primary teachers an insight into using Ordnance Survey maps. From identifying symbols, 4 and 6 figure grid references, to using a compass, the session will give teachers the confidence to deliver map skills relevant to the National Curriculum at ks1 and 2.

#### 2.3 Plants & animals in the environment

*Richard Green, CEES teacher*

Explore ideas and techniques for teaching about plants and animals, using the school grounds. Activities covered will include collecting from a range of habitats, observing, sorting, identifying, classification and using keys.

#### 2.4 Inspirational art from R to Y6

*Brian Hutchings & Deb Laurie, CEES teachers*

With the outdoor environment for inspiration, every child can be a successful artist. Explore colour, texture, shape and pattern in the environment and use them to try a variety of art and design activities using natural materials both in the grounds and in the classroom

#### 2.5 Rich possibilities for play and learning

*Cambridgeshire Early Years Adviser*

'The best classroom and the richest cupboard are roofed only by the sky.' Margaret McMillan. This workshop is suitable for practitioners working in the Early Years Foundation Stage and will explore what it means to make the most of this potential, along with examples of how to support the key ways that young children learn and ideas to enhance learning based on children's interests.

#### 2.6 Upcycled sound sculptures

*Nick King, Amey cespa*

Waste materials provide the inspiration for Nick's unique and innovative ideas. This workshop will share techniques for creating musical instruments for use in the school grounds. Participants will be able to take away their creations.

**Conference places at £95 per delegate may be booked online at the link below.**

To encourage collaboration, a reduced fee of £85 is offered for a second delegate from the same organisation.

**To reserve places scroll down to Outdoor Learning at:**

[www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/learntogether/homepage/32/cees](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/learntogether/homepage/32/cees)

**On receipt of your booking, a workshop option form will be emailed.**

**For further enquiries contact CEES on tel 01780 782386 or email**

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