

## CONTACT

Schools interested in organising a visit to Wood Farm Barn Educational Centre should contact Jeanne Mills on 01502 675029 when they will be sent an application form and a pre visit appointment to view the facility will be arranged.

We will require a copy of your Health & Safety Risk Assessment covering this type of excursion, when bookings are made.

School staff members are required to book a pre-school visit to the Centre when booking a school visit in order that the available designated areas can be discussed and toured. The catalogue and discs of activities will be distributed at that time.

Visiting schools will be met by a member of the estate staff who will open the Centre and ensure that the group has all the requirements for the day. Ample parking is available for coaches.

The school party will not be accompanied by a member of the Estate Staff during their visit. The school teachers and helpers will conduct their own field study visit. A pre-school visit to the Centre is a necessity to discuss the location and their requirements.



## WOOD FARM BARN EDUCATIONAL CENTRE, BENACRE ESTATE



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## PLAN AN EXCITING FIELDWORK SCHOOL VISIT



**TO WOOD FARM BARN  
EDUCATIONAL CENTRE,  
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## ABOUT US



Wood Farm Barn Educational Centre is situated on the Benacre Estate close to the Suffolk coast north of Southwold.

Benacre is a picturesque rural environment where farming, the local community and the day to day running of a large country estate (involving groundkeeping, gardening, woodland management, property and building maintenance and gamekeeping) combine the ancient with the modern, all located within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Wood Farm Barn Educational Centre has been provided by Sir Timothy and Lady Gooch to offer schools the opportunity to bring parties of school children to visit the countryside. This facility is provided free of charge for visiting groups under 18 years of age to give children the chance to learn about and appreciate all aspects of the rural environment.

The following fieldwork habitats are available to parties of visiting school children :

## FEATURES

- Woodland
- Grassland
- Heathland
- Streams
- Ponds
- Hedgerows



- Species of unusual flora and fauna
- Wood Farm Barn Educational Centre for wet weather activities (WC facilities available)

We also offer support material for teachers with a wide selection of activities covering curriculum topics, for example:

- Looking at Plants
- Buzzy Bees
- Mini Beast Safari
- Art Trail Materials
- Trees & Shrubs Suitable for Wildlife
- The Pyramid of Life
- Food Chains
- Ecosystem

..... to name but a few



## EDUCATION



Many subjects can be developed and investigated:

- Meteorology
- Geography
- Agriculture
- History
- Art
- Science
- Environmental Studies
- Biology

## RESOURCES

Wood Farm Barn also offers resources for school use during their visit most packed in sets for easy carrying:

- Pond Dipping Equipment
- Bug Hunting Kits
- Quadrat
- Magnifier Hand Lens
- Soil Test and Dipping Thermometers

## ORIENTEERING

We have recently introduced junior orienteering with maps, compasses and markers to enable juniors to find their way out to the woods from the Barn and back again. It will be interesting for the children to carry out their own navigation. Hopefully this will be available end of May/June.