



# Sutton Ecology Centre

Your Local Environmental Education Provider

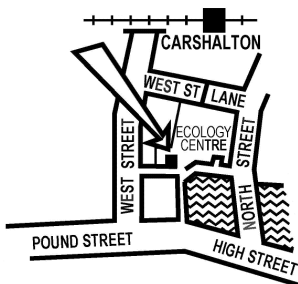


We offer inspiring environmental education sessions throughout the year at our award winning nature reserve. All our education programmes are designed to link closely with the National Curriculum. We make learning fun and interactive through hands-on investigation, with games and activities in a safe, stimulating outdoor environment.

Transform your class into intrepid explorers to find minibeasts in the woods and mini-monsters in the ponds, or invite them to become plant hunters or pirates on a treasure island! We have sessions to fit in with your habitats, gardens, plants, animals, maps, weather, recycling or sensory topics. Find all our lesson plans at [www.sutton.gov.uk/ecologycentre](http://www.sutton.gov.uk/ecologycentre) for EYFS, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

"The children thoroughly enjoyed learning outdoors from beginning to end. The lessons were well paced, interactive, informative and fun."

Sacred Heart Primary,  
Year 3



## Contact Details

To find out more information or to make a booking, contact us by:

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Sutton Ecology Centre is accessible by public transport or coach.

Train: Carshalton train station is a short walk away

Bus: 127, 157, 407 and 154 buses all stop nearby.



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# Sutton Ecology Centre Education Programmes

*All sessions are half day.*



## **The Fab Five (EYFS)**

Use all your senses to discover the wonders of the natural world. Delightful sensory games and stories include: Rainbow chips, smelly cocktails, Sticky the squirrel and more!



## **The Very Curious Caterpillar (EYFS)**

Follow Curious, the caterpillar, as he goes on an adventure through the Ecology Centre. Plants and nature are brought to life on an exciting journey of story, puppets and fun hands-on activities.

## **Backyard Beasties (KS1 & EYFS)**

An introduction to habitats. Investigate with mini-beast hunting, pond-dipping and games.



## **Science Through the Seasons (KS1)**

Ideal for Autumn and Spring, make observations and weather recordings, become a weather reporter and search for signs of the season in our grounds.



## **Mad About Maps (KS1)**

Practical geography skills, bringing to life the flat world of maps. Learn how to read a map, make a map and find landmarks.



## **The Great Green Plant Adventure (KS1)**

Take your class on a voyage of discovery as they become plant hunters. Learn how plants grow from seeds, the life cycle of a plant and different parts of a plant through games and stories.



## **Earth Care (KS1 & KS2)**

Learn about materials and how to care for the environment through recycling games, adventures, and papermaking.



## **Habitat Explorer (KS2)**

Investigate and compare animals in our meadow and woodland habitats and their microhabitats. Make predictions, identify and record what you find. Focus on adaptations, food chains or life cycles depending on your requirements.



## **Pond Explorer (KS2)**

A thorough investigation of our pond habitat. Classify, identify and record the creatures you find, then study them under the video microscope back at the classroom. Focus on adaptations, food chains or life cycles depending on your requirements.



## **Sensation Seeds and Fabulous Flowers (KS2)**

Hands on learning and discovery to find out about seed dispersal, germination and the life cycle and reproduction of flowering plants.



## **Geography Skills (KS2)**

Learn the 8 points of a compass, use 4 and 6 figure grid references to find locations on a map.

Make a variety of different maps based on observations and recordings of the features in the Ecology Centre.