

## Fees

<b>Booking fee</b>	£10 for single, or multiple bookings made at same time
<b>Early bird discount</b>	No booking fee if booked before the end of March
<b>Self-led</b>	
1 session (two hours)	£90
2 sessions (four hours)	£150
<b>NatureScope-led</b>	
1 session (two hours)	£300
2 sessions (four hours)	£500

## Arranging a session

The Nature Study Centre is open for educational sessions on **Fridays**. Sessions run from **10am until 12 midday** and from **12.30pm to 2.30pm**. Groups are welcome to have lunch at the Centre.

## Contact us

If you have any questions or would like to book a session please contact The Education Project Officer at Groundwork, Michael Bury:  
**07702 942143 / [naturescope.education@groundwork.org.uk](mailto:naturescope.education@groundwork.org.uk)**

For more information about NatureScope and the Nature Centre, visit **[www.naturescope.co.uk](http://www.naturescope.co.uk)**

For more information about Groundwork, visit **[www.groundwork.org.uk/sites/london](http://www.groundwork.org.uk/sites/london)**



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Wandsworth Common's Nature Centre is located within 73 hectares of green space in Wandsworth Common. The Centre is run by NatureScope, a consortium of organisations which includes Groundwork, All Star Tennis, Thrive and Wandsworth Council.

Wandsworth Common has a variety of habitats, including woodland, meadow, ponds, leaf litter, logs, and hedgerow, which allow children to discover a variety of different animals, plants, and lifecycles. The wooden Swiss-style chalet on site houses toilets and a teaching resource capable of accommodating up to 30 children at a time. There is also a further pond, food-growing beds, and a new nature trail within the Centre's garden.

## What the Nature Centre Offers

- Hire and use of indoor facility at Centre and nature garden, including access to toilets and Centre pond
- Pre-prepared curriculum-based lesson plans and resources
- Use of materials and tools such as pond dipping nets
- Permission to use the Common for education purposes from Wandsworth Council

## Sessions available

The Education Programme caters for Nursery groups and Foundation classes through to Year 2, and supports Science & PSHE/Citizenship schemes of work.

### Self-led or NatureScope-led

Foundation & Reception:	Minibeasts. Pond Dipping.
KS1:	Minibeasts. Pond Dipping.
KS2:	Lifecycles.

### NatureScope-led only

KS1:	Trees & Plants, which covers seasons and animals.
KS2:	Habitats. Plant Growth.

## The benefits of the Nature Centre

It is recognised that there is much less scope for school trips if National Curriculum requirements are to be met. It is also increasingly difficult for teachers to find the time to arrange trips.

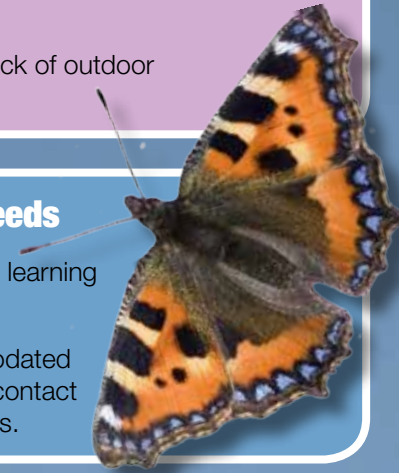
However, children experience a more valuable and memorable learning experience if they have direct contact with nature and make discoveries for themselves in new and exciting surroundings.

For this reason, Ofsted is increasingly flagging up the lack of outdoor education as an issue, and championing its benefits.

## Accommodating children with special needs

We can run special sessions for groups of children with learning disabilities or mental health problems.

Children with physical disabilities can also be accommodated as we have a disabled toilet and access ramp. Please contact the Education Project Officer to discuss individual needs.



## Health & Safety

Children should dress appropriately for outdoor activities: sensible shoes and clothes, plus sun protection if necessary.

NatureScope follow strict Health & Safety procedures at all times and especially when working with children. We will send you a copy of our Risk Assessment.

## Where are we?

The Nature Centre is situated in Wandsworth Common, Off Dorlcote Rd, London SW18 3RT. When you book, you will be provided with a map.

We are a short walk from Wandsworth Common Station, situated in the heart of the common, between the café and the tennis courts.

