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Nature Tots Forest School at Woodberry Wetlands Information Pack 2019-2020

About Nature Tots Forest School

Nature Tots is a Forest School programme for pre-school children age 18 months to 5 years. We engage and inspire young people and their carers to connect with nature through hands-on outdoor activities around wildlife.

During Nature Tots, children will explore their natural surroundings, discovering the animals and habitats around them. Activities include minibeast hunting, pond dipping, cooking, stories, music and nature crafts. Nature Tots helps children develop their confidence and emotional well-being, and skills in independent learning, problem solving, working with others and creativity.

Parents/Guardians

Parents and children participate together. All children remain the responsibility of parents and carers throughout the session and must be supervised at all times. Any one adult must be accompanying no more than three children under 5.

Staff

Our staff leading the sessions are all Forest School Level 3 practitioners, are DBS checked and are first aid trained.

Facilities

There are toilet and baby changing facilities onsite. There are tea and coffee making facilities onsite for parents/guardians.

Snacks for children are not included but during each session there will be a story and an opportunity for the children to have a drink and snack so you may wish to bring something suitable for your child.

Food may sometimes be provided as part of the Nature Tots activity, please let us know on the booking form if your child has any dietary or allergy requirements. Please also let us know on the booking form if any of the children or accompanying adult have any access needs.

For allergen information: Please note that there are sometimes cats present at the site; in the inside areas there may be traces of peanut. Please ask about any other allergen concerns you have.

What to wear

Children (and adults) should be dressed appropriately for the weather. We go outside come rain or shine. If the weather is heavy rain, cold or windy, we have shelter in the classroom or covered area outside, but we'll still venture outside to explore. We will assess the site and weather conditions each morning, if it is deemed too dangerous (storms or high winds) we will cancel the session, refunds will be paid accordingly, or sessions rescheduled. Children should wear clothes suitable for messy play. It is advisable to bring a change of clothes in case your child gets wet or muddy to prevent them getting cold or uncomfortable. Bringing a spare pair of socks is always a good idea!

Cost and booking

All prices listed are inclusive of VAT, prices are subject to booking fee.

Taster session: The first session is a free taster. You must still book on for your taster session. There are usually three taster sessions available during each session, this varies depending on how many other children are booked. Taster sessions are on a first come, first served basis. You may only book a taster session once. Taster sessions are for 1 adult and up to 3 children. If after your first free taster session you wish to come back to Nature Tots, you must book one of the below two options.

Half termly rate: The cost is £36.00 per six-week half termly sessions. If you would like to join mid-way through a half term, you can pay £36.00 for the remaining sessions, pay the **Pay as you go** rate for each remaining session, or wait until the new half term begins. There is a sibling discount rate of £27.00 which is available for siblings of a full paying child.

If you cannot attend a session, please let us know by emailing Abi on amarch@wildlondon.org.uk so the Forest School leader who is running the session knows how many people to expect. If you miss a session you will not be reimbursed, nor can you carry that session over to the following term.

This option is advised if you know you can make at least four of the sessions during the half term as it is more cost effective.

Pay as you go rate: The cost is £10.00 per session to attend sessions on an ad-hoc basis. The cost for additional siblings is £7.50.

If you have booked a session but then cannot attend, please cancel through Eventbrite on the link on your booking confirmation. Pay as you go tickets can be refunded up to 1 day before the session you have booked. If you do not cancel in advance we cannot refund the ticket, nor can the ticket be used for another session.

This option is advised if you know you cannot attend at least three of the sessions during the half term as it will work out cheaper than paying for the full half term. This option also gives you the choice of attending Wednesday or Thursday sessions on different weeks.

To book any Nature Tots sessions between September 2019-July 2020, follow the relevant link in the table below.

	Woodberry Wetlands – Wednesday	Woodberry Wetlands – Thursday
Free taster session <i>Sept 19 – July 20</i>	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-taster-session-tickets-69746843687	
Pay As You Go <i>Sept 19 – July 20</i>	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-wednesday-pay-as-you-go-tickets-69728167827	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-thursday-pay-as-you-go-tickets-70136681703
Autumn Term 1 <i>Week beginning 9th Sept 2019</i>	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-wednesdays-110919-161019-tickets-69722865969	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-thursdays-120919-171019-tickets-69727084587
Autumn Term 2 <i>Week beginning 4th Nov 2019</i>	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-wednesdays-61119-111219-tickets-69723319325	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-thursdays-71119-121219-tickets-69727253091
Spring Term 1 <i>Week beginning 6th Jan 2020</i>	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-wednesdays-80120-120220-tickets-69724900053	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-thursdays-90120-130220-tickets-69727365427
Spring Term 2 <i>Week beginning 24th Feb 2020</i>	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-wednesdays-260220-010420-tickets-69725225025	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-thursdays-270220-20420-tickets-69727560009
Summer Term 1 <i>Week beginning 20th Apr 2020</i>	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-wednesdays-220420-030620-tickets-69725525925	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-thursdays-230420-40620-tickets-69727672345
Summer Term 2 <i>Week beginning 8th Jun 2020</i>	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-wednesdays-100620-150720-tickets-69725750597	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/nature-tots-forest-school-at-woodberry-wetlands-half-term-thursdays-110620-160720-tickets-69727778663

Nature Tots dates for Sept 2019 - July 2020

<i>Wednesdays 10.30am-12.00pm</i>		
Autumn Term 1 11 September 18 September 25 September 2 October 9 October 16 October	Spring Term 1 8 January 15 January 22 January 29 January 5 February 12 February	Summer Term 1 22 April 29 April 6 May 13 May 10 May 3 June
Autumn Term 2 6 November 13 November 20 November 27 November 4 December 11 December	Spring Term 2 26 February 4 March 11 March 18 March 25 March 1 April	Summer Term 2 10 June 17 June 24 June 1 July 8 July 15 July

<i>Thursdays 10.30am-12.00pm</i>		
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About Woodberry Wetlands

Woodberry Wetlands was opened by Sir David Attenborough in 2016, having previously been known as Stoke Newington East Reservoir. The wetlands are the result of a proposal by the Trust to enhance the reservoir for wildlife and open it up so people can access a high quality, natural space in a densely built-up environment.

The nature reserve is now a thriving habitat for migratory birds and is one of the Trust's top visitor attractions. Hedgerows and wildflowers line the banks of the reservoir, while newly-created reedbed extensions provide a wetland haven for waterfowl.

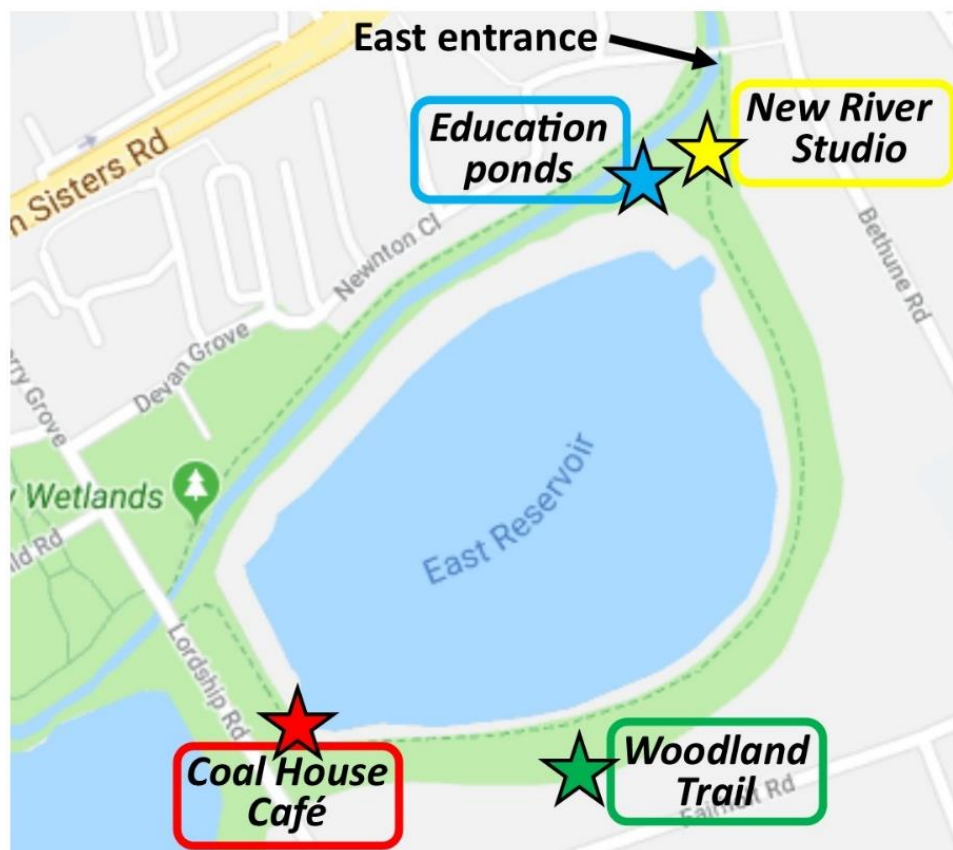
For more information about Woodberry Wetlands visit the dedicated website:

www.woodberrywetlands.org.uk

Location and Transport

Address: Woodberry Wetlands, 1 Newton Close, London N4 2RH

Access: There are two entrances to Woodberry Wetlands, the Main Entrance off Lordship Road, N16 5HQ and the East Entrance off Newton Close, N4 2RH. When you arrive at Woodberry Wetlands please come to the East Entrance and proceed to the New River Studio. You can access the East Entrance from Newton Close, the New River Path and Bethune Road.



By Tube: The nearest tube stations are Manor House and Stamford Hill.

- **From Manor House:** Take exit 2 from the tube station, then follow Woodberry Down in an easterly direction to Woodberry Grove. Turn right on Woodberry Grove and the New River path and Woodberry Wetlands main entrance is on your left-hand side just past the shops and high rise buildings. Go in through the main entrance and walk around the reserve to get to the New River Studio, or continue on the New River Path past the main entrance, take the bridge over the New River and enter the reserve via the east entrance.
- **From Stamford Hill:** Exit the station and turn right on Amhurst Park. Follow the road, and then turn left onto Bethune Road. Walk a little up and take the first right onto Newnton Close. The entrance to the reserve will be on the left-hand side.

By Bus: The nearest bus stops are Bethune Road (Eastbound Bus Stop T and Westbound Bus Stop W served by bus routes: 253 & 254) and Amhurst Park (Eastbound Stop S served by bus routes 259 and 279).

By Bike: Please ask a staff member and they will show you where bikes can be safely parked.

By Car: There is no public parking at Woodberry Wetlands. The closest unrestricted street parking is on Bethune Road on the East side of the reserve. Metered street parking is available on the surrounding streets and controls are in operation 8:30am – 6:30pm. Be sure to check the Arsenal Football Club home schedule as additional parking restrictions may apply on these days.