

Moor Pool Learning

Moor Pool offers what must be an almost unique opportunity for participation and learning. There can be few if any places in the country in an urban environment close to the centre of a major city, which can offer such a diverse range of social and sporting facilities along with ecological and environmental learning opportunities.

Schools:

For key stages 1, 2 and 3, Moor Pool is an opportunity for fun, activity and discovery, and applied projects that involve visiting Moor Pool, meaning it will be a memorable experience. The varied open spaces Moor Pool provides are an easily accessible and rich resource for areas of learning, including; historical, geographical and social understanding, and understanding physical development, health and wellbeing.

Moor Pool can be the focus of a compelling learning experience which develops students' personal learning and thinking skills. Engagement with the vital open spaces will help young people appreciate their community values and how open spaces, allotments and sporting facilities contribute to a healthy lifestyle.

The sessions cover the following learning topics:

- History
- People and environment
- Environment
- Habitats
- Healthy living/eating
- Sport
- Community buildings
- Community involvement
- Arts and theatre
- Childhood/Toys
- Architecture

Please contact the Education, Engagement and Outdoors Officer at education@moorpoolhall.com to find out more about education sessions.

∞ Nettlefold: Birmingham's visionary ∞

Key Stages 1, 2, 3

Length of session: half day (2 hours) or full day (4.5 hours)

Cost per pupil: £3 per head

Accompanying adults FREE of charge

Uncover the secrets of a Birmingham hero through this dynamic session. John Sutton Nettlefold changed the face of Birmingham with his innovative planning ideas, as well as having a wider influence as towns and cities expanded. This immersive session uses costume, object handling and exploration of Moor Pool Estate to bring this important local historical figure back to life. Make the most of your local history study by combining a visit to Moor Pool with a second session at the Nettlefold's family home, Winterbourne House. Discover the lives of different members of the household in this beautiful setting.

Curriculum links:

History: *significant historical events, people and places in their own locality (KS1), a local history study (KS2&3)*

Geography: *Place Knowledge, Locational Knowledge, Human and Physical Geography, Geographical Skills and Fieldwork.*

Design: *Design, Make, Evaluate, Technical knowledge*

Citizenship (KS3) *'the roles played by public institutions and voluntary groups in society, and the ways in which citizens work together to improve their communities'*

∞ Building Inspectors ∞

Key Stages 1, 2, 3

Length of session: half day (2 hours)

Cost per pupil: £3 per head

Accompanying adults FREE of charge

Moor Pool fires pupils' imagination as they investigate how buildings around the Estate were specially designed for different purposes in order to build a vibrant community that has lasted well over a century. Spot the many original architectural features and get hands-on with an exploration of building materials and traditional construction methods with a variety of activities. The session encourages practical enquiry into the properties of building materials as well as considering what goes into building strong communities today.

Curriculum links:

History: Curriculum links: History - significant historical events, people and places in their own locality (KS1), a local history study (KS2/3), the study of an aspect or theme in British history that consolidates and extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066 (KS2)

Mathematics: Measurement and Geometry

Geography: Place Knowledge, Locational Knowledge, Human and Physical Geography, Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

Design: Design, Make, Evaluate, Technical knowledge

Art: use a range of materials creatively to design and make products

Science: materials

∞ Habitat Detectives ∞

Key Stages 1, 2, 3

Length of session: half day (2 hours)

Cost per pupil: £3 per head

Accompanying adults FREE of charge

Give your pupils the opportunity to compare the different habitats of Moor Pool in a fun filled exploration of this beautiful historic Estate. Your class will explore the wildflower allotment, Forest School area, experience pond dipping, and underground environments. This exciting and immersive session gives pupils the chance to connect with nature while discovering more about how eco-systems connect.

Curriculum links:

Science: *Plants, Animals including humans, Living things and their habitats, Seasonal Change, Material cycles and energy (KS3), Interactions and interdependencies (KS3)*

History: *significant historical events, people and places in their own locality (KS1), a local history study (KS2/3), the study of an aspect or theme in British history that consolidates and extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066 (KS2)*

Geography: *Place Knowledge, Locational Knowledge, Human and Physical Geography, Geographical Skills and Fieldwork.*

∞ Grow for it! ∞

Key Stages 1 – 3

Length of session: half day (2 hours)

Cost per pupil: £3 per head

Accompanying adults FREE of charge

This lively and interactive session uses the historical allotments at Moor Pool to teach pupils about where their food comes from and how to make healthy food choices. Learning about plants, what they need to make them grow and how to keep them healthy, participants have the opportunity to sow their own seeds as well as harvest fruit and vegetables during the session. Fruit and vegetables can be taken back to school and used for extension activities back in the classroom.

Curriculum links:

Science: *Plants, Animals including humans, Living things and their habitats, Seasonal Change, Material cycles and energy (KS3), Interactions and interdependencies (KS3)*

Design and technology: *Cooking and nutrition, Make, Technical knowledge*

Mathematics: *Measurement*

∞ Pass times in past times: Chad Valley Toys ∞

Key Stages 1 and 2

Length of session: 2 hours

Cost per pupil: £3 per head

Accompanying adults FREE

The world famous Chad Valley toys began in Birmingham in the 19th century. Using examples of original toys of Chad Valley, and other replicas from earlier periods, this session gives participants the chance to get hands on with history and discover the toys and games from the past, as well as learning about materials and design.

Curriculum links:

History - significant historical events, people and places in their own locality (KS1), a local history study (KS2), the study of an aspect or theme in British history that consolidates and extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066 (KS2)

Design: Evaluate