

### Educational Outreach Programme 2023

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# BRINGING THE

#### Twycross Zoo are bringing conservation education to your classroom in 2023

Help us to promote nature-connectedness amongst young people in the Midlands, by bringing conservation education to learners without them having to leave the classroom. Our outreach visits foster a curiosity and compassion for wildlife, with the aim to inspire a new generation of motivated, passionate conservationists.

During our workshops, learners will apply their cross-curricula knowledge to current conservation topics, contextualising and building upon classroom learning. Learners will be presented with applied conservation challenges, enabling them to practice problem-solving and critical thinking. We create an immersive learning environment using appropriate zoo artefacts and real-world examples to encourage engagement amongst all learners.

#### Single Workshops

In our 45-minute workshops, we focus on a conservation topic which provides curriculum enrichment to a specific key stage. Workshops promote transferrable skills which can be used across the curriculum, as well as inspiring environmentally beneficial action outside of the academic environment.

#### Memberships

Partner with Twycross Zoo for a six-month conservation project. We deliver a series of three workshops, as well as the resources for self-led challenges and activities. Memberships are an opportunity to apply higher-order thinking in an immersive environment, with the aim of impacting on the learners' long-term goals and aspirations.



# SINGLE WORKSHOPS

In preparation for the visit, the outreach team will organise a virtual planning meeting with you, to ensure that the workshop is accessible and appropriate for all learners. Lesson plans will be provided, alongside preparatory activities

#### KS1/2 The Penguin's Plastic Problem

Follow the penguins as they take a dive below the ocean surface to experience life under the sea, surrounded by the pretty, the peculiar and the plastic pollution!

#### KS2/3 Lend A Hand To Orang-utan's

Travel through the layers of the rainforests of Borneo, discovering and protecting it's unique wildlife from the threat of deforestation.

#### KS4+ What's Right And Wrong For Rhinos

Conservation isn't always straight-forward, especially when it comes to the Black Rhino. Test your debate skills and prepare to have your opinions challenged as you discuss some controversial conservation topics.

Post-visit resources and activities are provided to encourage learners to continue to develop their understanding and curiosity through independent, self-led learning.





# SINGLE WORKSHOPS

Our workshops can be booked individually for a single class, or group, of up to 34 learners. They run for 45 to 60 minutes and can be delivered in any classroom or venue. Multiple workshops can be booked back-to-back, allowing for many classes or groups to experience the workshops.

Subject to availability, up to five workshops can be booked per day.







This academic year (2022/23) we are offering a six-month membership, from February to July 2023. The introductory project for memberships is aimed at key stage two and three and is based on the biodiverse ecosystems of Borneo and the threats that they face.

During the membership, learners complete a project, split into a series of three workshops, which immerses them within real-life conservation. Learners will be set challenges between workshops to foster enthusiasm and engagement with the project, while encouraging practical application of new skills.



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## MEMBERSHIPS

#### What's included?

#### Workshops

For each subscribing class/group, there will be three workshops, spread over the six-month period.

#### Post-visit Resources

After each workshop, electronic post-visit resources will be provided. These will provide learners with activities to complete in school, or at home.

#### Twycross Zoo Newsletter

The Twycross Zoo newsletter is a quarterly publication which is sent out electronically, to all member schools. It is a fantastic insight into the goings-on at Twycross Zoo, while also being jam-packed with fun facts and challenges to help native species.

#### CPD Day

Send a member of your staff to Twycross Zoo for the day, to partake in a CPD session designed to assist in embedding elements of conservation into everyday learning. (Terms & conditions apply)

#### ONE FREE ADMISSION FOR ALL LEARNERS IN THE SUBSCRIBING CLASS/GROUP

This can be used for a class trip, or for individual visits. (Terms & conditions apply)



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## MEMBERSHIP PROJECT

Memberships are ideal for increasing learners' aspirations through long-term goal building and skill development, as part of a real-world conservation project.

Our workshops are paired with preparatory and post-workshop resources, designed to encourage independent, self-led learning beyond our visits.

#### Workshops

#### 1. Welcome to the jungle

An introductory workshop to investigate what life is like in the rainforests of Borneo. Learn about the graceful great ape, the orang-utan, and consider the important role that they play in their habitat.

#### 2. The Dangers of Deforestation

In this workshop, learners will be introduced to the topic of Palm Oil and other causes of deforestation. They will be challenged to consider what the impacts of this destruction may be.

#### 3. Lend a Hand to Orang-utans

Finally, learners will have the chance to reflect upon their project and consider how we might be able to aid the species of Borneo through in-situ and ex-situ conservation efforts.



# HOW IO BOOK

If you are interested in booking outreach workshops. or subscribing to the six-month membership. please email:

#### outreach@twycrosszoo.org

Once your booking/membership has been confirmed, the team will contact you to book in a pre-visit, planning meeting. This will be over Zoom or Telephone and will be used to finalise the details of the visit(s). As well as discussing how the booking can be tailored, to ensure that the benefit for the leaners is maximised.

If you would like to join our six-month membership, bookings must be confirmed before February 20th, 2023.

Annual memberships will be available from September 2023. For additional information, or to register your interest, please email: outreach@twycrosszoo.org

#### Important Information

- No live animals are used in any of our workshops
- There must be available parking at the site, as there is a number of props and artefacts that will need to be transported from the vehicle.
- When booking, please inform the outreach team whether or not the venue of the workshop(s) has access to equipment such as a projector or whiteboard.

- The maximum travel distance for outreach is a 30-mile radius around Twycross Zoo.
- At this time, the workshops available in this handbook are the only workshops available through outreach.
- When booking multiple workshops in a single day, they must be booked back-to-back within the timetable.

