



communigrow

Curriculum Enrichment for Primary Schools Bringing learning to life!

outdoor learning | habitats & life cycles |
all about plants | healthy diet | seasonal
plants & food | field to fork



About Us

The Field School at CommuniGrow provides a unique outdoor learning centre.

We harness the power of nature to grow fresh food in a sustainable way and we provide and preserve natural habitats to protect wildlife.

Our beautiful outdoor space and our expert team provide accessible activities that are both inclusive and stimulating.

We have 14 years' experience of working with children of all abilities including those who are neurodivergent and children with SEND.

Our 'off grid' status demonstrates how we can work in partnership with the natural world.



What we can offer

Class visits

Our tailor made class visits reflect Key stage 1 & 2 learning outcomes. Mix and match from a range of activities or delve deeper into one topic.

Visit www.communigrow.org.uk for detailed curriculum links and sample programmes.

We have a high staff/learner ratio, teaching is in small groups supporting children to get really hands on and engaged in the sessions.

What else can we offer?

- School assembly talks
- Teacher training (sustainability)
- Smaller groups for children who may need a more bespoke experience



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Inspiring

How we can enrich your childrens' learning:

Curriculum Links	Example Activities
KS1/KS2 Science and DT	
Living things and their habitats (1): Pond Dipping	Adaptation of creatures to different habitats within the pond. Food chains. Use of photo ID/keys.
Living things and their habitats (2): Marvellous Minibeasts	Search for minibeasts at different habitats on site, learn how they are adapted to their environment. Use of photo ID/keys.
Cooking and nutrition: Field to Fork (1) - Delicious Dishes	Prepare a simple dish from fresh veg. Understand the principles of a healthy and varied diet.
Cooking and nutrition: Field to Fork (2) - Fabulous Food	Field taste tour - understand seasonality, harvest and taste different veg as you find out how they are grown.
Plants: seeds & germination - Get Set, Grow!	Observe plants growing around the site to learn how seeds and plants grow into mature plants. Dissect seeds in various stages of germination and sow seeds to take back to school.
Plants: pollination & seed dispersal - Flower Power	Dispersal discovery tour to identify different methods of dispersal on site. Dissect seeds in various stages of pollination. Pollination experiment. Learn about the life cycle of plants.
Rocks: Super soil	Experiments to explain properties of soil types and how they are formed. Identify soil types using a key. Tour our different composting stations. Make a mini composter.

Our Resources

Unique learning spaces (Yurt & Field Shelters)
Wildlife Pond and Bee Bank
Composting in action
Solar panel installations
Water capture installations
No-dig (sustainable food production growing areas)
Sensory Garden

Awards & Credentials

Kent Wellbeing Space of the Year 2023
Gold Wilder Kent Award
RHS 5* Gardening School

How to find us:

We are based on the world famous NIAB research station easily accessible from the A20.

Travel:

We are 5 miles from central Maidstone or enhance your pupils experience with a train journey!

We are 20 minutes walk from East Malling Train station (South East trains provide group bookings discount)



Find us



Price & Timings:

Half day visit: £235

Morning Programme - 9.30am to 12.00pm
Afternoon Programme - 12.30pm to 3.00pm
(we have some flexibility on times)

Free 'Stay & Play' option for your pupils to enjoy their packed lunch in our gardens before or after the session

Testimonial

*"Exceeded our expectations!
Digging for potatoes was like finding treasure!
Seed dispersal was fantastic...
made the knowledge stick like velcro!"*

Year 3 Teacher,
Palace Wood Primary School

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