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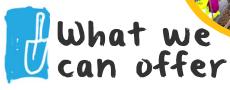
The Field School at Communigrow provides a unique outdoor learning centre, growing fresh food in a sustainable way and providing and preserving natural habitats to protect wildlife.

In our Field to Fork sessions we teach children where food comes from and how it can be grown to provide healthy and nutritious meals

Our beautiful community garden and our expert team led by qualified teachers provide accessible activities that are both inclusive and stimulating.

We have 15 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.



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 <u>www.communigrow.org.uk</u> 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.

Carbon Literacy training and certification for your staff and staff inset/team building. Bespoke smaller group sessions for children with additional needs e.g. mental health, behavioural or SEN.





How we can enrich your childrens' learning:

Curriculum Links KS1/KS2 Science and DT	Example Activities
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

Shelters) Wildlife Pond and Bee Bank Composting in action Solar panel installations Water capture installations No-dig (sustainable food production

Unique learning spaces (Yurt & Field

growing areas) Sensory Garden

Awards & Credentials

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

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

To find out more email: education@communigrow.org.uk

> Communigrow, Park Farm. East Malling/Ditton, Kent

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)

Price & Timings:



Find us

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

Option for your pupils to enjoy their packed lunch in our gardens before or after the session

