

## How to get to Ogden Water

Ogden Water is situated off the A629 Keighley Rd. approximately 3 miles north of Halifax.

## General

Male, female and wheelchair accessible toilets are situated opposite the visitor centre

A small shop selling crisps, pop and souvenirs is open most days throughout the year

Groups working with Countryside Service staff can use our classroom to eat lunch (subject to availability).

For groups who don't wish to work with our staff, the classroom is available to hire. Please contact Dave Wilson or Robin Dalton on 01422 249136 for details.

## Charges (from 01/04/09)

£2.90 per head for Calderdale schools for a 1.5 - 2 hour session

£3.90 per head for other schools

## What to bring

Please ensure that pupils bring appropriate footwear (wellies if stream dipping) and a warm, waterproof coat. If the weather is very kind, it may even be necessary to bring sunhats and sunlotion! Bring lunch if eating at Ogden. All equipment needed for the visit will be provided by Countryside Service.

## How to book

Please telephone Julie Swift on 01422 393273 to organise your visit or send an e-mail to [julie.swift@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:julie.swift@calderdale.gov.uk)



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## Workshops

### Woodland and Pond Minibeasts

Explore the world of minibeasts on a safari through the wood. Compare and contrast the inhabitants of a variety of habitats including woodland floor, trees (alive and dead) and grassland. Includes the use of simple keys and species recording. **Can include a short pond dipping session to look at freshwater minibeasts on request.** Suitable for Reception, Key Stage 1 and 2 - session varies in complexity depending on age group of pupils.

### Habitats

Compare and contrast a selection of habitats within the Ogden Water Estate through hands-on exploration and environmental games. Session includes the use of simple keys. The aim of the visit is to help pupils recognise that different animals and plants are found in different habitats and that each habitat needs protecting to maintain the diversity of British wildlife.

### Trees

A half-day session exploring the trees at Ogden Water. By the end of the session pupils will understand how a tree works, what kind of creatures live in a tree and will have really got to know a tree! Includes environmental games. Suitable for Key Stage 2.

### Sensory Walks

A special walk which encourages children to explore an area in a very 'hands on' way, using activities which encourage the use of all the senses. Walks are tailored to fit individual requirements. Suitable for Reception, Key Stage 1 and 2.

### Seasonal change

A selection of environmental games aimed at Reception and Key Stage 1. Closely linked with the Science curriculum: Life Processes and Living Things. **Available April - May and September - October.**

### People's effect on the environment

Geography workshop suitable for Key Stage 3 and above. Workshop will include a 2-3 mile walk which will give pupils the opportunity to look at woodland management, water collection, wind farming, visitor management, sheep farming and moorland management. **Available April - November**

### Forces

Discover the power of wind and water on a walk around Ogden Water and learn more about how forces work in the natural world. Make a windstreamer to take back to school in the classroom. Suitable for Y1 and 2.

### Birdbox building

Charges are £2.90 per student plus materials charge of £4.00 per box. Time needed 2 hours. Maximum numbers 10 per session. Indoor session. **Available October - April**

### Customised visits

If the topic you are currently working on with your class is not covered by the workshops offered, why not give us a ring as it may be possible to devise a half day visit to enhance your pupils' learning experience? Topics covered last year included work on forces, a geography based river study and bird box making.

### Risk assessment and session plans

Prior to your visit, you will receive a copy of the session plan outlining the activities to be covered during the workshop plus a risk assessment of the activities and the site.