## Community Visits

The purpose of community visits (educational outings) is to provide our students with opportunities to engage with various topics and participate in themed activities. These visits aim to foster a strong connection between the students and local establishments that have a deep understanding of their unique needs and challenges. Community visits are conducted across the school for every department and key stage. These visits help build strong relationships with staff and allow students to apply and expand upon their acquired skills. Our students benefit from these experiences by boosting their self-esteem and confidence, ultimately enhancing their emotional well-being. Each trip is carefully staffed to cater to the students' needs, with individual risk assessments stored on Evolve and reviewed by the local authority. Community visits are repeated throughout each department and key stage and students learn to become familiar with the area, buildings and facilities. This helps embed learning and skills learned in school and instils a sense independence (accessing a familiar place) as the students move through the school.

## Discovery (KS1/2) department community visits:

- Local walks
- Acorn Centre
- local shop (One Stop)
- local parks
- Hart Plain Church
- Mary Rose School (Sporting events)
- Southsea
- Hayling Light Railway





## Explorers (KS3/4) department community visits:

- Swimming at Waterlooville Leisure Centre
- Fishing at Meon springs
- Fishers Farm
- Waterlooville Library
- Countryside walks (Petersfield/Portchester)
- Local supermarkets (ASDA)
- Hart Plain Church
- Mary Rose School (Sporting events),

## Adventurers (Post 16) department community visits:

- Local walks
- Acorn Centre
- Local shop (One Stop)
- Local parks
- Hart Plain Church
- Mary Rose School (Sporting events)
- Peter Ashley Centre
- Blue Moon Café
- Staunton Country park
- Kayaking
- Local supermarkets (ASDA, Lidl)



