

Current list of activities available at The Chellington Centre

Free/Low Cost Activities				
Fun yet simple activities can be booked for free or for a small charge, using resources we provide:				
Chellington Quiz	Indoor/Outdoor Games	Harrold and Odell Country Park visit		
Campfire	Soft Archery	Local Walks		
Movie and/or Karaoke Night	Wild Letters			

Curriculum-Linked Activity Resources

To inspire and bring your curriculum to life outside the classroom, we have a range of interactive programmes: Activities are self-led, but we provide the resources you need.

Key Stage 2	Key Stage 4	Key Stage 5
Anglo Saxons meet the Vikings	GCSE River Fieldwork	Physical Geography Fieldwork for independent investigations
Winding Rivers		

Activities Delivered by 3rd Party Providers

For a unique experience led by an instructor, we recommend a selection of third-party providers who will join you during your visit to Chellington. These must be booked directly with the provider.

Forest Skills	Raptor Encounters	Mobile Farm
Boot Camp	Archery	Mobile Zoo

Free/Low Cost Activities

Harrold and Odell Country Park visit

We are fortunate to be in very close proximity to Harrold Odell Country Park (a 15 minute walk from the Chellington Centre). Your group can visit the park for a walk around the lakes. En route, children can stop at 2 playgrounds, visit the hides for some bird spotting on the lake or take brass rubbings from a trail of posts depicting a variety of park wildlife. There are benches to eat a packed lunch, an undercover outdoor classroom and a large lockable storage box to safety store small bags whilst the group does activities. Use of the storage box can be booked through the park ranger.

A range of **self-led** activities are also available if you book through the park ranger:

I-Spot

Pocket i-spy books designed specifically for the park can be ordered. These cost £1 each and are available from Dragonfly Café, if you only need a small number.

Pond dipping

Up to 20 nets, trays and identification guides can be booked to use (equipment only) for investigating the mini inhabitants of Dragonfly Pond and Kingfisher Water, at a cost of £1.50 + VAT per child. Ranger led pond dipping can be arranged for £2.50 + VAT.

Bug hunting

Magnifying bug pots can be booked for mini beast hunting in the woodland, river meadows and other habitats around the park, at a cost of £1 per child.



Short-course orienteering

Rangers can set up a short- course orienteering route for a team challenge around the park which takes approximately 45 minutes, at a cost of £1 + VAT per child.

Local Walks

There are a number of nice walks from the Chellington Centre:

Walk 1: Carlton Village & The Pipers - Directions (pdf)

Walk 2: Harrold-Odell Country Park - Directions (pdf)

Walk 3: Harrold-Odell Country Park & Odell - Directions (pdf)

Walk 4: Country Park & Odell (wet weather route) - Directions (pdf)

These activities are free and self-led.

Chellington Quiz

Children can work in teams to complete our quizzes. These will help them to explore the indoor and outdoor environments and orientate them for their stay at Chellington.

These activities are **free** and **self-led**.

Soft Archery

Children can practise their archery skills with 6 sets available. Each set comes with 4 arrows and a bow along with an easy to follow set-up and instruction guide for leaders.

This activity costs £10 per set and is self-led.

Indoor & Outdoor Games

Children can play a range of indoor and outdoor games at the centre.

The games pack includes a rounders set, rugby balls, tag rugby set, badminton set, football, tug of war, team parachutes, giant Jenga, indoor board games and puzzles.

The games pack costs £20 and all are self-led.

There is also a giant connect 4, table football and table tennis, all free to use on site.

Movie and/or Karaoke Night

Children can watch movies or listen to music, have a karaoke night or watch the stars.

Media pack includes:

55" 4K LED Smart TV (Panasonic TX-55FX700B) fixed in Ibbett room (HDMI lead provided) for educational presentations, supported by a DVD player, projector (Samsung SP-M250) and Sony speakers, Yamaha keyboard, karaoke, white screen 7ft pull-up and portable trolley with locking wheels, power extension cable, one flip chart with A1 paper, telescope and tripod.

The media pack costs £30 and all activities are self-led.

Campfire

Children can gather around for a campfire in the evening on site. Campfire songs are available on request. A bag of kindling and logs costs £20 (enough for one campfire). The activity is self-led.



Wild Letters

A great way to start a visit to Chellington. On entering the centre, children will see 'Chellington' spelt in letters made from gathered wild materials. Why not make your own school's name for the duration of your stay? The children explore the site and/or wider surroundings to scavenge natural materials to create a series of letters which can be photographed by accompanying adults. Photos emailed to The Chellington Centre will be printed and mounted in the entrance way!

This activity allows children to really explore and observe their natural environment very closely, making discoveries about seasonal plants and signs of animal life. They will gain a sense of achievement and pride by creating their own welcome sign, connecting their place with ours!

This activity is **free**, comes with visual instructions for the children and is **self-led**.























Curriculum-Linked Activities

Key Stage 2: Anglo-Saxons meet the Vikings

The children step back in time to the 9th Century. The Vikings have travelled by longboat along the Great River Ouse. On the Danelaw/Wessex boundary, they find the Anglo-Saxon village at Chellington.

The activities start with an interactive session in the Ibbett Room where the group explores how we know what the local area around the Chellington Centre was like during the 9th Century.

The children become either Vikings or Anglo-Saxons and make their own helmets based upon historical and archaeological evidence. The children choose their shield and can decorate to personalise it, based upon artefacts from the period.

Warrior training out in the field introduces the children to the cries, commands and team work required to succeed in battle. The children choose their foam weaponry to complete their preparations and practise their formations and strategy.

Dressed and prepared, the children use drama to re-enact a battle down on the river meadow, based on the old English poem 'The Battle of Maldon'. Will the Viking raiders be victorious? Or will the Anglo-Saxons protect Chellington?

Children take their helmets home! All other resources are provided by the centre for use on the day.

This programme will normally cost £100 for **self-led**, but this year we are able to offer it for **free** because of the funding we have been given to develop educational resources.

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Anglo-Saxons meet the Vikings Activity Programme













Key Stage 2: Winding Rivers

Children can explore the physical geography of the local area and how this affects local people. They will develop an understanding of the characteristics of the river through practical fieldwork.

The activities start with a short session in the Ibbett Room to introduce them to the river and its affects on local people. Activities will focus on developing children's field sketching and OS map skills.

Children will visit the river and in groups explore the characteristics of river, including its flow and the material it carries, through simple practical fieldwork. This will involve them working together to use instruments to measure and record their observations.

This programme will normally cost £50 for all materials and is **self-led**, but this year we are able to offer it for **free** because of the funding we have been given to develop educational resources.

Up to an hour long briefing with our programme manager will help you deliver these as self-led programmes.

Key Stage 4: GCSE Geography River Fieldwork

Students can practice the fieldwork skills required to undertake an investigation of the physical and human characteristics of the Great Ouse at two points along its course, which are accessible on foot from the centre. Resources provided on pdf include an advisory risk assessment, site choice and walking route information, student fieldwork booklet and introductory PowerPoint for the investigation.

This activity is self-led.

Key Stage 5: A Level Physical Geography fieldwork for Independent Investigations

Students can practice a variety of fieldwork skills to widen their experience of working in the field. Data can be collected to cover specification linked content including; carbon storage and sequestration in woodlands, microclimates, drainage basin processes, air and water pollution. Each is set up to follow the fieldwork enquiry process including hypothesis testing and sampling. Resources provided on pdf include an advisory risk assessment, site choice and walking route information and student fieldwork booklet.

This activity is self-led.



Activities Led by Third Party Providers

Forest Skills

Children can practise a variety of forest skills including shelter building, fire lighting, wood craft, as well as learning about trees and wildlife surrounding the centre.

This programme is taught by experienced, fully insured tutors. Groups of 15 are best but we can arrange a day to split up groups between activities.

Half Day (about 2 hours) - £375 Full Day (2, 2 hour sessions) - £500

These prices include one tutor and all materials.

If a group is larger than 15 (up to a maximum of 30 participants), leaders will be expected to help and guide, and monitor behaviour.

If you are interested in booking this activity, please go to www.chellington.org and click on the Check Availability button at the top of the screen. You will find **Forest Skills** under **3rd Party Activities**.

Please note: If you select this activity, a booking enquiry will be sent by email to the third party provider. Once the third-party provider has confirmed availability with us, we will put you in direct contact with the provider so that you can confirm any bespoke details with them and make arrangements for payment.



Boot Camp

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The sessions are designed to encourage leadership and team work, as well as improving fitness, strength and mental determination.

Each session will begin with a fun warm up and positive mantra for the day, followed by 20 minutes of bootcamp style games. Discipline, hard work and listening skills will need to be shown before practicing and taking on the assault course.

A certificate is awarded to participants showing outstanding Bravery, Achievement, Nobility, Determination, Inspiration, Team work and Strength skills!

This activity costs £375 for 2 hours and is led by a third party.

If you are interested in booking this activity, please go to <u>www.chellington.org</u> and click on the <u>Check Availability</u> button at the top of the screen. You will find **Raptor Encounters** under **3rd Party Activities.**

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Raptor Encounters

Children can have a close-up experience with a skilled falconer and a selection of birds, usually including a Harris Hawk, Kestrel, Barn Owl, Little Owl and the incredible Eagle Owl. There will be an informative talk and the birds will fly indoors. The children may be allowed to handle the birds (at the discretion of the handler).

This activity costs £250 for 2 hours, for up to 20 per session.

Two 90 minute sessions (to run concurrently) can be booked if your group size is larger than 20, an extra charge applies. This activity is led by a **third party**.

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Mobile Farm

Animal Edge is a mobile farm designed to connect children with friendly farm animals, allowing them to experience the joy and wonder of animal interactions up close. Young people can get up close with a pony/donkey, pigs, guinea pigs, chickens, rabbits and goats. The visit supports EYFS and Key Stage 1 and 2 topics including animal behaviour, life cycles, habitats, classifications and animal welfare.

The sessions last **up to 30 mins**, for up to 15 children and can take place in the field at the Chellington Centre. Multiple sessions can be arranged to fill a **2 hour visit** at a cost of **£225 + VAT**.

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Mobile Zoo

Teaching Talons provide multi-award winning, educational animal encounters through their mobile zoo. Young people get up close to an incredible variety of animals from around the world- including giant invertebrates, reptiles, small mammals and an owl or talking parrot. There are plenty of photo and learning opportunities and the sessions can also be tailored to a topic of your choice. Popular topics include habitats, adaptation and meet the mini beasts! As well as touching or holding the animals, some of the animals will do feeding demonstrations and the children can actually feed the guinea pigs themselves! There is even a small rescue dog, who will do a whole mini show, as the finale if you would like him to attend.

The sessions each last roughly **50 minutes**, for up to 30 children and can take place in our main hall. Each session is time tabled into a one-hour slot to allow for any overrun, questions, changing classes over and hand washing. If you are booking a session for a single group/class, then the experience will last the full hour.

Pricing works as follows-

Single session £220

Two sessions £155 each

Three or more sessions £125 each

Full day £575 -Up to 5 hours workshop time, plus any breaks.

Travel is included and we are not VAT registered- so there are no hidden costs.

Pricing includes two experienced presenters, set up and pack up time (they will arrive around 30 minutes before the first session). At least one presenter in attendance will always be a professional zookeeper. If you require multiple, or long gaps/breaks between sessions, they sometimes have to charge for this additional time. Because of this they will check and discuss potential session times with you, to find what works best for both your group and their Animal Ambassadors, to avoid the need for any extra charges.

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