

Schools' Resources Available...

Bringing Archaeology to Life...

East Sussex Archaeology and Museums Partnership offers day-long outreach sessions to schools: involving children in handling, recording and interpreting artefacts; looking at settlements; making copies of pots; weaving cloth; and looking at evidence from local sites. Covering periods from Mesolithic to Saxon.

Heavily subsidised sessions are available for schools in the Weald Forest Ridge area. Call 01273 486959 or email esamp@eastsussex.gov.uk for more information.



Great Value Resources for Schools at Ashdown Forest

The Ashdown Forest Centre is the ideal base for a visit to this unique area and offers a range of education resources to suit. Supported visits can be undertaken with tutors from the Sussex Wildlife Trust. A range of FREE self-led activities are also available, and the Education Barn can be booked as an indoor classroom. Additional resources include a KS2 Nature v. Nurture Debate Pack and KS1 Winnie-the-Pooh Story Sack for use back at school.

To book education resources contact the Ashdown Forest Centre on 01342 823583 or go to www.ashdownforest.org/about/education.php. Downloadable resources are also available at www.highweald.org/learn/education. Prices start at only £65 for use of the Education Barn.



Forest Schools in the Weald Forest Ridge

A **Forest School programme** is a fun way to introduce children to the natural world and develop confidence, knowledge and self-esteem through hands-on learning in a woodland environment. Accredited training is also available to teachers and TAs to sustain learning at your school.

For an informal chat about courses and programmes for you or your pupils call Tom Forward, Forest Schools Co-ordinator, on 07771 375254 or email tomforward@sussexwt.org.uk.

Courses and programmes are targeted at schools in the western half of the Weald Forest Ridge, subsidised sessions cost from £80.



History through Drama and Art

Art and drama workshops, led by specialists, are available for schools to explore and learn about the key heritage characteristics of the Weald Forest Ridge. Drama topic areas can include Romans, Tudors and driving whilst art workshops can explore local materials, such as charcoal, clay and woodcuts. The subsidised cost for a day workshop will be no more than £100.

For more information on the workshops and also the wider High Weald Heroes Programme, contact Laura Sweeting on 01580 879965 or email l.sweeting@highweald.org



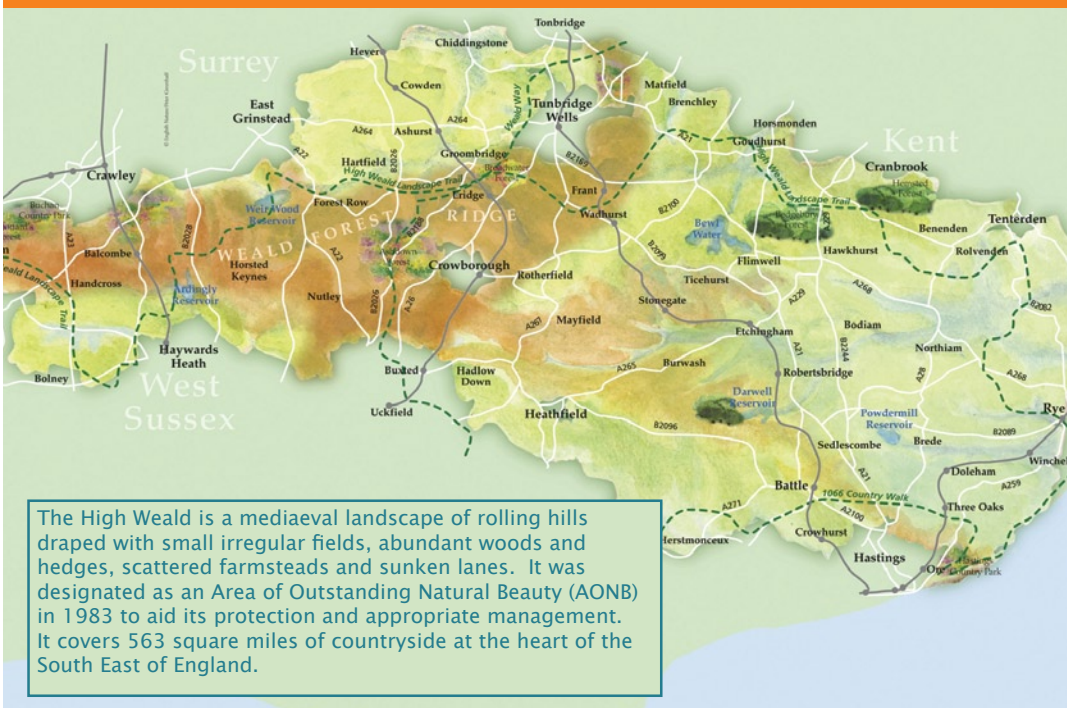
The Weald Forest Ridge is the highest ridge of the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The landscape of the High Weald has been shaped by its inhabitants for thousands of years.



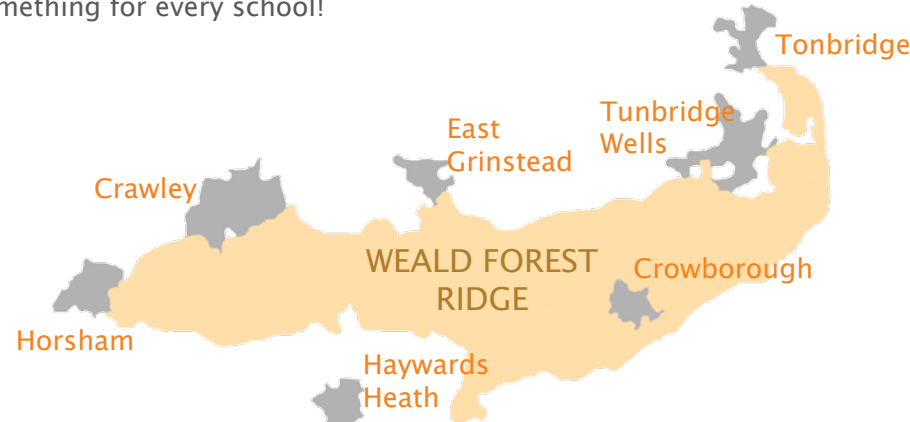
Free and Subsidised Learning Opportunities

Your school is within the Weald Forest Ridge Landscape Partnership Scheme area. The Scheme is offering a range of engaging educational opportunities to help you and your pupils learn about your local landscape heritage.

All of our educational opportunities are explicitly linked to the curriculum and are aimed at Key Stages 1 and 2. From bush craft to Winnie-the-Pooh, hands on history to self-guided visits to Ashdown Forest, we hope there is something for every school!



The High Weald is a mediaeval landscape of rolling hills draped with small irregular fields, abundant woods and hedges, scattered farmsteads and sunken lanes. It was designated as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) in 1983 to aid its protection and appropriate management. It covers 563 square miles of countryside at the heart of the South East of England.



The Weald Forest Ridge Landscape Partnership Scheme is a three year programme of activity, delivered by twenty different partners and co-ordinated by the High Weald AONB Unit. The Weald Forest Ridge Landscape Partnership Scheme aims to enable people to reconnect with their landscape; more easily access and enjoy the Ridge; understand it's unique natural, cultural and built heritage; take part in caring for it; and leave a legacy for future generations.

For more information go to www.highweald.org or contact:
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