



# Rivers in the Classroom



Ribble Rivers Trust is a local charity working to improve the Ribble catchment's rivers and landscape for people and wildlife. Our team has a wealth of experience of the local area, its freshwater science and current conservation activities.

We have delivered education activities for primary schools for over a decade. Now, we are connecting even more children with their local rivers in even more ways than before.

Explore your local river as a teaching resource through our programme:

- \* **Engaging** and **interactive** experiences.
- \* **Local** and **meaningful** to your children.
- \* Linked to the **Key Stage 2 National Curriculum**
- \* Fosters children's **spiritual, moral, social** and **cultural** development.
- \* Delivered by our **experienced education team** who are all **DBS checked**.
- \* Supports you throughout to ensure that it is both a **fun** and **safe experience**.



## Meet our education team...



*Neil joined Ribble Rivers Trust in 2012 after 27 years in the Fire Service where he specialised in educating primary school children through the 'Child Safe' scheme. Neil is a qualified teacher and has used his extensive knowledge of local rivers, habitats and fish to educate up to 700 children a year. A keen fisherman, he is also a licenced Sport England Level 2 angling coach and regularly holds 'Introduction to fishing' sessions throughout the summer.*



*Christi joined our team in 2020 as part of the Ribble Life Together project. Her love of nature led her to study Animal Science then complete a Masters degree in Conservation and Biodiversity. Christi has experience working in Forest School and other outdoor learning situations, strongly believing in the link between connecting with nature and positive well-being. She is passionate about getting children outside and igniting their enthusiasm for conservation from an early age.*



## River-Friendly School award:

The River-Friendly School award is something that can be proudly displayed in your school for all to see. To achieve this status, your class will need to:

- Take part in a full day of activities overall OR take part in Trout in the Classroom.
- Carry out one self-chosen challenge for the school to have a lasting positive impact on the environment.
- Communicate what they have learnt and achieved to the rest of the school and/or wider community.
- Develop a river-code or pledge for the school.

For more information, costs involved and current funding opportunities, please get in touch:

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## Riverside workshops

- ◇ **River Expedition with Freshwater Micro-Safari** (approx. 2 hours) £120
- ◇ **Angling coaching:** Try a fun outdoor sport whilst learning about the river habitat and its importance to river life and anglers. POA

## Classroom-based workshops

- ◇ **Indoor Freshwater Micro-Safari** (2 hours) £100
- ◇ **Exploring the River Landscape and Junior River Explorers** (half day) £180
- ◇ **Exploring the River Landscape and Junior River Explorers** (full day) £225

## Day packages

- ◇ **Remarkable Rivers:** Morning **River Expedition with Freshwater Micro-Safari**; afternoon **Junior River Explorers**. £240
- ◇ **Terrific Trees:** Morning **Woodland Wander with Treasure Hunt**; afternoon **Tree Planting**. £240
- ◇ **Sensational Streams:** Morning **Sensory River Expedition**; afternoon **Creative Workshops**. £240

## Field-based workshops

- ◇ **Habitat Creation and Conservation:** Get hands-on and learn practical outdoor skills while making a positive difference to the river environment. POA

## Trout in the Classroom

- ◇ **Trout in the Classroom:** Experience the magic of brown trout in your classroom! Study their life cycle as they develop from eggs to fry, then join us to release the young fish into your local river. £600

All activities will include check-ins with **feelings and well-being**.

All riverside activities will include a **Water Safety** session.

