



# **Minstead Residential Information Evening**



## Unique outdoor learning experience



## Residential



## Sustainability focus

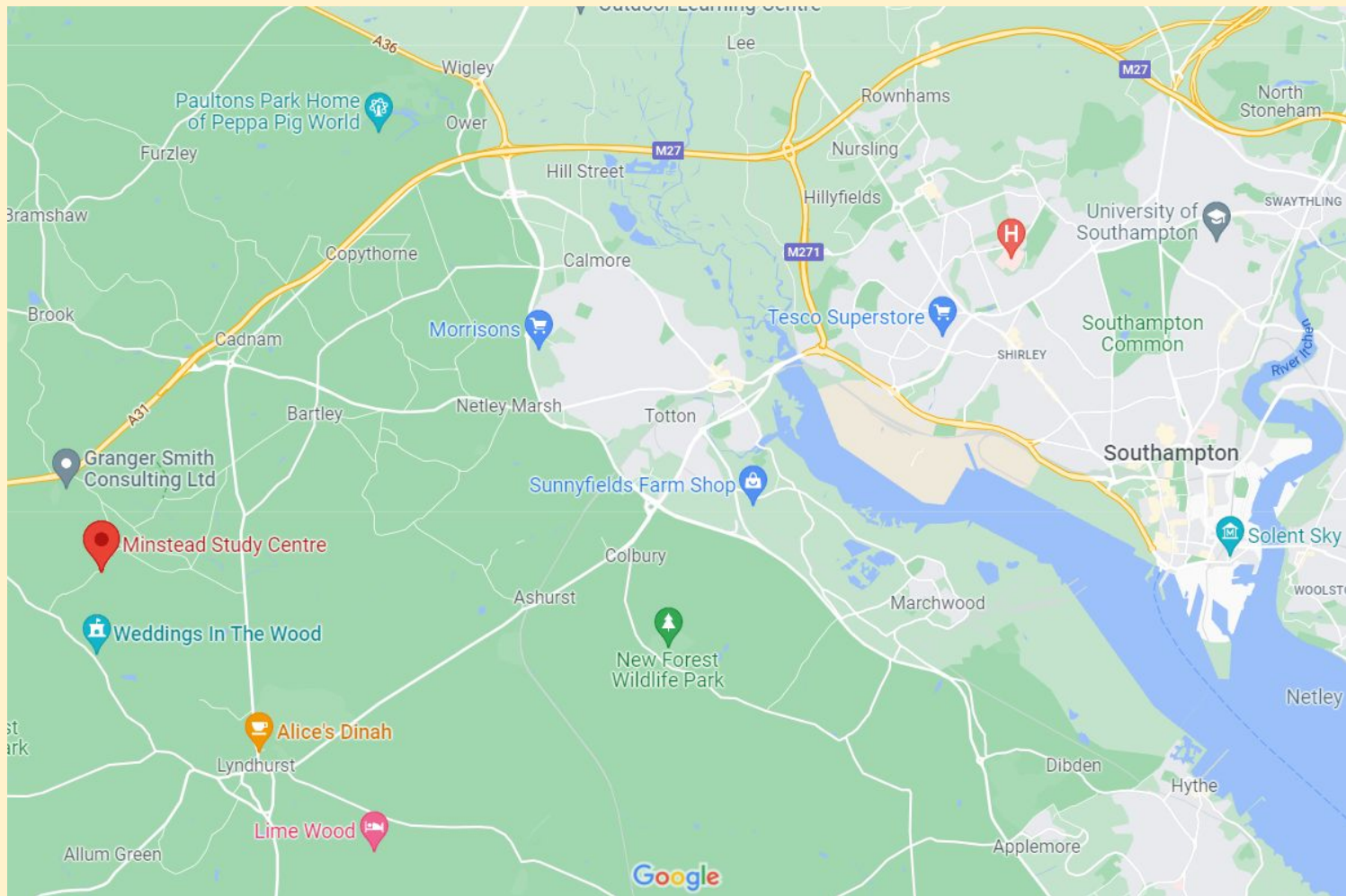
## New Forest



## Experienced teaching team

# Minstead, Lyndhurst, SO43 7GJ

20 minute drive  
from the school



What is Sustainable Living?



THERE IS NO PLANET B



EXPERIENCE



# Staff



Miss Godwin

Miss Guy

Monday - Wednesday

Mrs Holloway

All week



Miss Dickenson

Mrs Hixon



Wednesday - Friday

# Groups

Barn



Snowy



Eagle



Tawny



**A: Monday - Wednesday**

**B: Wednesday - Friday**

# Leaving:

Arrive **as normal** in school in the morning and bring bags and any medication to their adult **in the hall**.

We will leave school approx. **9.30 am**.

**Snowy** and **Barn** - leaving Monday am

**Eagle** and **Tawny** - leaving Wednesday am -  
(In school Monday and Tuesday as normal)



# A Typical Minstead Day



Time	Activity
8.00am	Set breakfast tables
8.15am	Breakfast
9.30am to 12.30pm	Session (with break)
12.30pm to 1.30pm	Picnic lunch
1.30pm to 4.30pm	Session
4.40pm to 5pm	Dorm time/set dinner tables
5pm to 6pm	Dinner
6pm to 8pm	Session (led by MSC first eve, school second)
8pm onwards	Hot choc and bedtime





# Food



- **Breakfast:** A continental breakfast consisting of toast, cereal and croissants.
- **Lunch:** A selection of wraps or sandwiches that the children make themselves.
- **Dinner:** A homemade hot meal that we have chosen from a menu.



WHAT TO WEAR

## Kit list:

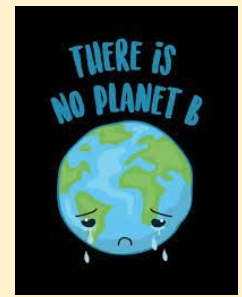
1. Wellies (with a separate plastic bag to put them in when wet/muddy)
2. Lots of socks
3. An extra pair of outdoor shoes
4. Slippers or individual indoor shoes
5. Long trousers
6. Tops
7. Waterproofs- **Coat** (Essential!!) Trousers (If possible)
8. Fleece or jacket
9. Gloves, hats and scarfs
10. Nightwear- Not just a onesie!
11. Extra socks and underwear
12. Toiletries (In a washbag)
13. Towels
14. Large plastic bag/ bin liner for dirty clothes
15. Water bottle
16. Small day bag
17. Bring a teddy



### Please don't bring:

1. Aerosol spray
2. Bedding
3. Mobile phones or electrical games
4. Food and drink

# Our Minstead Sessions



All our activities will link to our Geography topic about climate change

- Map work/Orienteering
- Sustainable living - energy focus and food (winter gardens)
- Polluted rivers study
- Woodland experiences



**WE WILL BE WORKING OUTSIDE -  
CHECK THE KIT LIST AGAIN!**





**Nature forest treks**



**Campfire**



**Eco learning**



**Farming**



# Sleeping Arrangements



<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/minsteadstudycentre>

The Centre has 2 dorms (1 for the boys and 1 for the girls) for the children with adjoining bathrooms and adult rooms.

Have a look at the website with your child to get them used to what it looks like!

All beds are bunk beds, aside from two extra beds in the boys' room. Bedding is provided, TEDDIES ARE NOT - bring your own.

They are either side of a large group room - which houses bean bags and the hub of the sustainable energy!

All visitors to the Centre have sole residential occupancy, giving a real sense of safety and security, and meaning that the children develop a sense of ownership.





# Returning from Minstead:



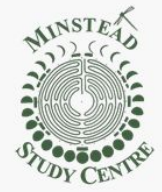
Children will have lunch and then will return to school to be picked up by the end of the school day - usually about 2pm (ish).

**Snowy** and **Barn** - back Wednesday into school Thursday and Friday

**Eagle** and **Tawny** - Back Friday



# FAQs



Are the children allowed to bring games and cameras?

Yes to small games - cards etc for own spare time - but no electronics

Yes to disposable cameras - but they are their own responsibility.

How will anxious first time away from home children be looked out for at night?

Each part of the week we have at least one mum! The children will be aware of all that will be happening.

We will have a bedtime routine - probably with a story. The adults are then on call as they sleep next to the dorms.

Try and visit the local area before and look at the website with them.

Can we contact the children?

Just like in school the children will be with safe trusted adults and the days will be full of activities.

Can the children contact home?

The children will be so busy with their activities that there won't be time!