

Activity Risk Assessment for Tree spotting

| Site name: Meadow/Woodland - Priory Country Park Name of Assessor: J. Lemon Date of assessment: Jan 2006 | | | | | | | | |
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| Ref. | Description of hazard | Those at risk | No. at risk per day | Probability of harm (a) Score 1 - 5 | Severity of hazard (b) Score 1 - 5 | Risk factor (a x b) | Action required | School action taken |
| | Poisoning by plants and berries | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 3 | 2 | 6 | Advise against eating ANYTHING. Wash hands before eating. | |
| | Puncture wounds (e.g. hawthorn) | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 3 | 1 | 4 | Verbal warning. Ask adults to shake branches for very young children. | |
| | Stinging plants | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 4 | 1 | 4 | Verbal warning. Avoid nettles etc. | |
| | Insect bites/stings | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 2 | 2 | 4 | Verbal warning. Advise not to capture stinging insects. | |
| | Eye damage by low branches | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 1 | 2 | 2 | Verbal warning. Adults to shake branches. Ask Park staff to cut overhanging branches back from access routes. | |
| | Attack by dogs | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 1 | 4 | 4 | Warn children of correct behaviour (Stand still, avoid eye contact with dog). Request owners to put lead on and to remove animal from location. If troublesome phone Park staff. | |
| | Dog faeces | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 1 | 3 | 3 | Warning to avoid. Wash hands before eating. | |
| | Losing sight of children, abduction, attack | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 1 | 4 | 4 | Small groups with correct adult:pupil ratio. (KS1 1:5, KS2 1:8). More supervision for early years, less for older pupils. Leaders to carry name list. Regular headcounts. Warn children to stay in groups. BE VIGILANT. | |
| | Injury from hazardous litter (glass etc.) | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 2 | 2 | 4 | Warning, avoidance, clearance. | |
| | Exposure to: Sun | All involved with school visit | Up to 75 | 3 | 3 | 9 | Advance written advice to bring sunhats, sunscreen and plenty of drinking water. Also to wear light, long sleeved clothing. Seek shade where possible to carry out activity. | |
| | Wet/Cold | | | 3 | 2 | 6 | Advance written advice to bring waterproof clothing and strong footwear. Have wet weather plan option for extreme conditions. | |
| | Lightning/Thunder | | | 4 | 1 | 4 | Advise to lie down in open area if severe. Don't hold metal objects. | |