

Goldstream Nature House

Spring Programs 2016



Discovery is in Our Nature

Parks provide the ideal outdoor classroom to inspire your students and bring your curriculum to life through active inquiry, investigation and exploration.

Our programs immerse students in the beauty of the park's natural and cultural heritage and foster a sense of wonder and curiosity.



Programs for all ages

School programs are available for kindergarten, elementary and high school classes. We can tailor programs to meet your class's needs and learning goals. RLC Park Services has been offering park-based education programs for over 15 years on Vancouver Island. We can help you reach your learning goals.

The Goldstream Nature House



The Goldstream Nature House is located in Goldstream Provincial Park on South Vancouver Island. It has a rich history of offering nature-based education programs for all ages. The Goldstream Nature House operates without government funding, using a combination of fundraising, donations, community sponsors and partnerships to keep its doors open. RLC Park Services believes that nature experiences are vital to the health of our children and is committed to keeping these opportunities available to all children. Program fees go directly back into the Nature House to cover costs of staffing and operating the facility.

Visit us at www.naturehouse.ca
for more information & programs



Goldstream Spring Programs

Grades K/1 1.5 hours \$125+GST per class up to 25 students, \$5/additional

Senses, observations, local plants & animals, compare/describe

Bodacious Bugs! What's a bug? Find out as we inspect the insects of the area and learn some nifty sampling and ID techniques.

Slug Shuffle Join us as we "break-it-down" with one of our favourite decomposers– the slug!

Forest Explorers Wake up your senses! We are the sleuths and we are hot on the trail of nature!



Grades 2/3 1.5 hours \$125+GST per class up to 25 students, \$5/additional

Senses, observations, animals, plants, interactions, structures

Stop: It's Beaver Time! You won't believe what these radical rodents are up to, creating habitats and harvesting their plants, making them the perfect engineers.

Froggy Frog World Leap into a frog's life where metamorphosis will transform you from egg to frog!

May the Forest be With You The forces of nature can reveal secrets of the forest: What's edible? What's not? What's the use of that? & Who is home?

Grade 4 1.5 hours \$125+GST per class up to 25 students, \$5/additional

Predictions, animals, plants, habitats, food chains, communities, respect

Prospector Penny Experience GOLD RUSH fever as you follow "Penny" in her adventures through BC History—will you strike it rich?

Un-Beaverable Explore the park in search of beaver evidence and see how their adaptations make them great engineers, architects and farmers... it's un-beaverable!

Look at that...a Habitat! From the micro to the macro – Goldstreams habitats are everywhere! See who lives where and figure out the food chains for the community.

Grades 5/6/7 1.5 hours \$125+GST per class up to 25 students, \$5/additional

Resources, interconnectedness, impacts, life forms, adaptations, communities, food webs, ecosystems

Estuary Espionage Tread lightly and stick to the path as we enter this special ecosystem and discover how an estuary is a superstore for many unique species!



Squids in the Hall* Mollusk? Cephalopod? If you're a sucker for a good time join our squid investigation, dissection and maybe even a tasting! *additional fee applies

Evening & Sleepover Programs

Looking for a longer adventure? We offer evening and sleepover programs in the Goldstream Nature House year-round as well as multi-day adventures in other parks across the island!

Night Eyes: Our longest running evening program, Night Eyes will introduce you to the nocturnal animals of the Park. Why do some animals' eyes glow in the dark? What is in an owl pellet? Head out for a late night walk with a bat detector and see what we find! **Prices range from \$25-\$45+ GST per student.** (in Oct.-Dec. we offer a unique variation: **Sleeping with Salmon** - exploring the annual return).

Survivors! This program is so popular we offer it in many different locations across Vancouver Island including Horne Lake Regional Park and Rath Trevor Beach, Miracle Beach and Newcastle Island Marine Provincial Parks. This is a great destination field trip filled with challenges, team work and nature-based adventure learning. This program varies with each location with prices in some parks as low as **\$35+GST per student** for a two day, one night adventure.



Grades 3—12

Looking for a multi-day adventure for your students? Visit us in Horne Lake Regional Park! Canoeing, caving, camping and more; we can fill your days with outdoor experiences your students won't forget. Try our most popular **Survivors** and see if your students have what it takes to Save it, Share it and Sustain it or create your own "adventure" combining some of our shorter programs.

2-4 Hour Programs

Can You Canoe?	\$24/student
Wilderness Skill	\$21/student
Amazing Race	\$17.50/student
Learn to Fish	\$24.00/student
Tracks & Scats	\$18.50/student
Rock Rappelling*	\$28.00/student
Cave Geology*	Prices vary

*with our partners at
Horne Lake Provincial Park

1-3 Day Programs

Survivors!
Horne Lake Explorer Package
Learn to Camp
Choose Your Own Adventure

We are the proud operators of Horne Lake Regional Park and can arrange your camping, tents and/or food depending on what works for you.

All prices subject to GST

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Program Bookings

We offer a variety of programs year-round at the Goldstream Nature House.

To book a program:

Tel: 250-478-9414

Email: Goldstream@naturehouse.ca

Fax: 1-888-242-2137

Please provide the following information when requesting a program:

- School name, telephone & fax
- Teacher name(s) & email address(es)
- Grade(s) participating
- Number of students
- Program requested
- Preferred Dates & Times

We will contact you by phone or email to confirm your booking and send you a teacher orientation notice when details are confirmed.

Your Day, Your Way

If you don't quite see the program topic, age-group, location or date you are looking for do not despair! RLC Park Services can assist you in creating a unique educational experience for you and your class. Fees vary depending on activities, materials, location and duration. Let us help inspire your students with the natural world!

Did You Know..

We offer programs all across Vancouver Island in Provincial and Regional Parks.



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In-School Programs

We understand that sometimes it is not possible for your class to get out to our parks so we also offer "In-School" programs. Our Park Naturalists can come to your school with programs designed to stimulate your students' curiosity for the natural world. You choose from a variety of programs and we work with you to create a schedule based on your school's timetable.



Choose from these fantastic programs:

Froggy Frog World

Squids in the Hall**

Life in a Log**

Tides & Tidal Creatures

Who's Whoooo?

In Defense of Bats

Who Wants to be a Salmon Heir?

\$375+GST per day for one Naturalist for the entire day

Note: additional supply fees per student for **programs