

RDN Parks School Programs

Spring 2016



Discovery is in Our Nature

Regional Parks provide the ideal outdoor classroom to inspire your students and bring your curriculum to life through active inquiry, investigation and exploration. 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. Teachers can tailor programs to meet their class needs and learning goals. RLC Park Services has been offering park-based programs for over 15 years in Vancouver Island Parks and schools.

Regional Parks & Trails

Moorecroft Regional Park Forests, wetlands & intertidal zones; it has it all...

Horne Lake Regional Park Lake, forest & adventures galore...

Englishman River Regional Park Forest, river & trails to explore...

Big Qualicum River Regional Trail Forest, river & trails to explore...

Lighthouse Country Regional Trail Forest, wetlands & trails to explore...

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



Moorecroft Regional Park

Grades K/1 1.25 hours \$125 per class up to 25 students, \$5 per additional

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

Froggy Frog Pond World Leap into a frog's life at Skipsey Lake and see why a pond life may not be for you!

Intertidal Explorers When the tide is out a whole new world is revealed.

Nature Detectives Wake up your senses, we are the sleuths and we are hot on the trail of nature!



Grades 2/3/4 1.25 hours \$125 per class up to 25 students, \$5 per additional

Senses, observations, animals, plants, habitats, interactions, structures

Un-Beaverable! You won't believe what these little engineers are up to! Creating habitats and harvesting their plants... It's Un-beaverable!

Seeing the Forest & the Trees A forest needs trees and trees need a forest. Explore the forest habitats in Moorecroft Regional Park!

Wetland Wonders Dip into the pond and discover the community of unique plants and animals living in the wetland!

Tracks and Scats Even if you don't see the animals of the park you know they are there when you become an animal tracker and look for signs of their presence.

Intertidal Zone-dicular Dude! Life in the intertidal zone is totally gnarly! You'll be amazed at how creatures and plants must adapt to live in this habitat!

Grades 5/6/7 1.25 hours \$125 per class up to 25 students, \$5 per additional

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

Spineless Wonders The invertebrates of the intertidal zone are some of the strangest creatures alive! Meet the Cnidarians, Echinoderms, Mollusks and more!

Forest Discovery Program 2.5 hours with snack break \$10 per student (min \$250/class) Ever wonder how to identify your local trees and native plants? Or how

you could make a cup of tea in the forest? Forests are important to all living things and play a significant role in all of our lives. Explore the life in a forest and see how plants, animals, fungi and microscopic organisms all depend on each other.



Trail Adventures

Looking for an experience that combines nature discovery, physical education and survival skills? We offer our trail adventure programs for classes in a number of different locations. These excursions are the perfect blend of nature education, exercise and wilderness safety.

2 hours \$175+GST per class up to 25 students, \$5 per additional student

Locations:

- Moorecroft Regional Park
- Big Qualicum River Trail
- Englishman River Regional Park
- Lighthouse Country Regional Trail and more



Horne Lake Regional Park



Grades 3—12

Looking for an adventure for your students? Have you thought about visiting **Horne Lake Regional Park** lately? Did you know we have been partnering with the folks at Horne Lake Caves Provincial Park over the past five years to bring you an amazing variety of programs from canoeing to fishing to wilderness survival to rappelling to caving to our most loved adventure program: Survivors? If you haven't been to Horne Lake in the past five years since we took over operation of **Horne Lake Regional Park** consider a visit for a nature discovery and adventure filled trip. You can visit for a couple hours or spend multiple days with us. With our campground at **Horne Lake Regional Park** you can choose between bringing your own tents or simplifying your camping experience by staying in our large tent shelters. We can arrange it all with one call: **(250) 478-9414**. Here's a taste of what we offer but visit naturehouse.ca and view mid island school programs for more field trip opportunities.

1-4 Hour Programs

Can You Canoe?

Wilderness Skillz

Amazing Race

Learn to Fish

Group Games

Rock Rappelling*

Cave Geology*

**with our partners at
Horne Lake Provincial Park*

1-3 Day Programs

Survivors!

Learn to Camp

*We are the proud operators of
Horne Lake Regional Park and
can arrange your programming,
camping, tents and/or food.*

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Program Bookings

We offer programs in Regional Parks and Trails in May, June, September & October, 2016.

To book a program:

Email: schools@rlcparks.ca

Fax: 1-888-242-2137

Tel: 250-478-9414

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
- Park you wish to visit
- Preferred Dates & Times

We will contact you by phone or email to confirm your booking.

Your Day, Your Way

If you don't quite see the program topic, age-group or location 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 are variable depending on activities, materials, location and duration.

Did You Know...

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



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