

COUNTRYSIDE & WILDLIFE PROGRAMME

ABOUT PINC WOODLANDS COLLEGE

Pinc Woodlands College is an Independent Specialist College offering inspiring innovative study programmes.

Our Countryside and Wildlife campuses are located within and in partnership with Wildlife Trust and Local Authorities. At Pinc Woodlands College we have a unique approach to education and pathways into employment for neurodivergent young people, aged 16-24 years.

Our Countryside and Wildlife campuses give our students opportunities to collaborate with our partners, enjoy workplace experiences and make connections to the local countryside and community.

We are more than a typical College, our support for our students goes way beyond their studies and wellbeing. It helps them to find pathways to further and Higher Education and careers in the Environmental Conservation, Horticulture, Forestry, Wildlife and Ecology sectors.



OUR VALUES

individual

We celebrate difference

inclusive

We value and support everyone

innovative

We believe in the power to create change

COLLEGE LIFE

At Pinc Woodlands College we tailor our teaching strategies to help you learn



- We are a community
- Our teachers genuinely care and take the time to get to know what you need

- We have shorter days and regular breaks
- Visual planners help our students navigate and understand the project work

- Session Goals provide our students with step-by-step breakdowns of each task

WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT?

You will find that Pinc Woodlands College is nothing like the experience you have had of education so far:

- Our primary focus is the wellbeing of our students; we start by getting to know the whole person and their individual needs – there is no typical student at Pinc Woodlands College
- **We celebrate individuality and self expression – there is no dress code at Pinc Woodlands College and we encourage our students to be their complete authentic selves**
- Every student has an Individual Learning Plan, tailored to their aspirations, interests and desired outcomes
- **Teaching takes place in small groups, which we know is better for our students**
- Our programmes are project based, which allows our students to choose the topics they are interested in and develop the practical skills they enjoy
- **Our team create positive relationships and a supportive environment for all our students**

A TYPICAL WEEK

Every student has an Individual Learning Programme, but this illustrates what a week might look like at Pinc Woodlands College.

1 or 2 days	Wildlife and Countryside Portfolio work	Level 2 or 3 Diploma	Habitat creation and restoration. Environmental good practices.
1 or 2 days	Field / Project outdoors work	Level 2 or 3 Diploma	Woodland preservation. Wildlife monitoring. Field surveys.
1 day	Maths / English	GCSE	Functional skills
1 day	Green futures and Careers		
	Portfolio evidencing		
	Personal and social development		

While prioritising wellbeing, the expectation is that students will move through one qualification in each subject per year.



GREEN FUTURES

Our Woodlands Futures modules and preparations for next steps

We know that what our students go on to do after Pinc is as important as the time they spend with us. We start by supporting students to identify their ambitions and aspirations and our curriculum model and qualifications works to enable them to achieve them.

Through our Woodlands Futures Modules we offer a range of Careers and Higher Education exploration opportunities:

- Our students have individual support to clarify future options.
- Real world learning in real world cultural and heritage settings.
- Work placements, experiences, journey planning and travel confidence.
- Apprenticeships, working with local employers in the horticulture, conservation and wildlife sectors.
- Support for applications to Higher Education.
- Collaborative projects with our location partners.
- Continuing relationships with our wildlife, woodland and conservation partners.
- Engagement with the local horticulture, conservation and wildlife communities.

FINAL YEAR OPTIONS

Most of our Pinc Woodlands students progress to Final Year Options to continue their journey to Higher Education or careers in the Environmental Conservation, Horticulture, Forestry, Wildlife and Ecology sectors.

LEVEL 2 & 3 CAMPUS-BASED STUDY

FINAL YEAR OPTIONS

<p>Level 2 Diploma</p> <p>Habitat creation & restoration</p> <p>Environmental good practices</p>	<p>Level 3 Diploma</p> <p>Woodland preservation</p> <p>Wildlife monitoring</p> <p>Field Surveys</p>	<p>Level 3 Extended Diploma in Land & Wildlife</p> <p>Specialist Occupational Practice</p> <p>Practical & Management Skills Development</p>	<p>Campus-based study</p>
<p>Green Futures, Work Experience & Careers</p>		<p>Green Enterprise Programme</p> <p>Access to enterprise space</p> <p>Green business development</p> <p>Support & mentoring</p>	<p>Business & entrepreneurship</p>
<p>Portfolio Evidencing</p>			
<p>Personal & Social Development</p>			
		<p>Supported Internship Programme</p> <p>Tailored work placement</p> <p>Skills, experience, confidence</p> <p>Support & mentoring</p>	<p>Workplace & study experience</p>

WELLBEING AND SAFETY

Everything we do is driven by the wellbeing of our students.

Our commitment starts with our values and is supported by our culture which is shared by our students, our team and our partners.

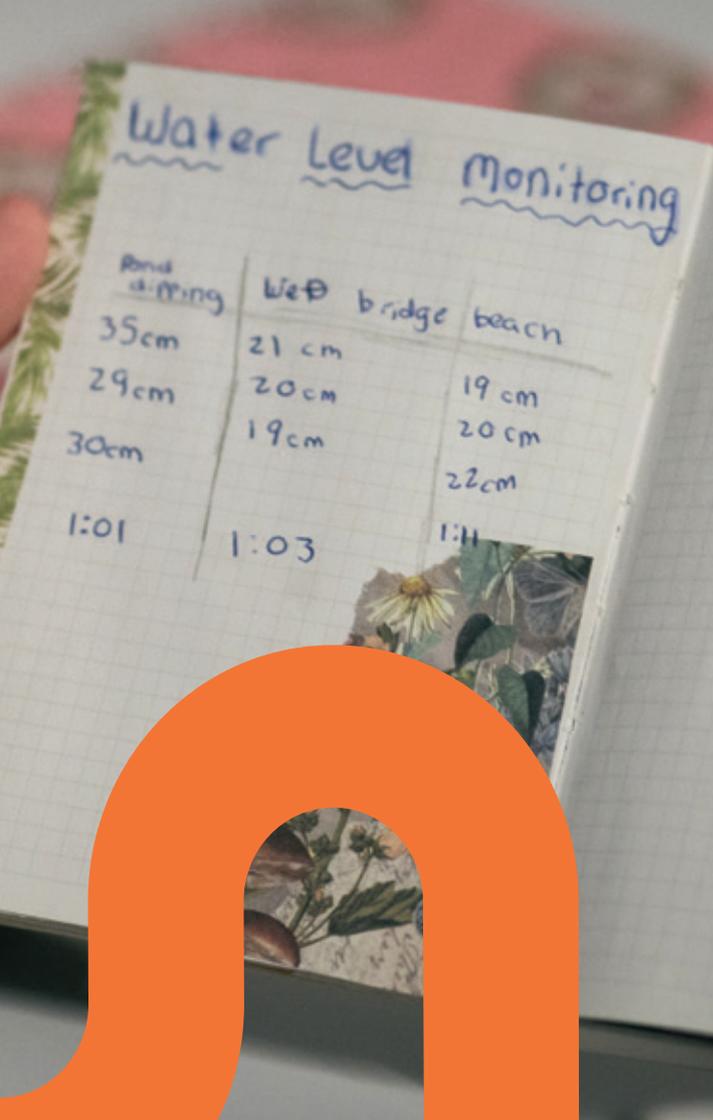
We believe that we will all benefit from a journey of personal growth, if we commit to a shared culture which is:

Respectful - We accept and appreciate each other

Responsible - We own our actions and words

Safe - We support each other's emotional and physical safety

Kind - We care, we listen and consider others



Practical support for our students' wellbeing:

- Our team are dedicated experienced SEND professionals
- **Our Teachers work alongside qualified EHCP coordinators and communication specialists**
- Every campus has a mental health first aid trained team member
- **We offer a non-judgemental environment which allows our students to be their authentic selves**
- We support our students to make social connections and build communication skills
- **We seek to resolve issues and take a blame-free restorative approach**
- We fulfil and aim to exceed all industry safety standards
- **We are proactive in supporting online and e-safety**

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY

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I feel happy about coming to college because of the way everyone gets on with each other.

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Since joining Pinc woodlands I have actually been able to leave my house and build friendships.

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Since I started at Pinc Woodlands, I am getting more comfortable talking to new people.

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY

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At Pinc Woodlands I am out in nature more and feel more attached to the wildlife – and have made some great friends too.

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My life at college has become so much more copeable and all the staff make me feel at home every day.

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I enjoy the calming, relaxing environment of the outdoors and having that connection with nature.

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I enjoy everything about college but especially researching and collecting data for my research.

OUR CAMPUSES

**Wolseley Centre,
Staffordshire Wildlife Trust**

The Gate House,
Staffordshire Wildlife Trust,
The Wolseley Centre
Wolseley Bridge,
Stafford,
ST17 0WT

**Bickley Farm, Malpas,
Cheshire Wildlife Trust**

Bickley Hall Farm,
Cheshire Wildlife Trust,
Bickley Lane,
Malpas
SY14 8EF

**Stirley Farm, Huddersfield,
Yorkshire Wildlife Trust**

Shirley Farm,
Yorkshire Wildlife Trust,
Hall Bower Lane,
Huddersfield
HD4 6FA

In partnership with:



**Staffordshire
Wildlife Trust**



**Cheshire
Wildlife Trust**



**Yorkshire
Wildlife Trust**

CONNECT WITH US

If you are interested in finding out more about
Pinc Woodlands College, please contact us:



A Not for Profit Organisation

We operate in the interest
of the young people we serve,
inclusively and with social purpose.

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Staffordshire Wildlife Trust,
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