AIM
This course is designed to give the participants a greater understanding of the environment around them, including the issues surrounding climate change and sustainability. It will give your pupils a sense of responsibility and also an appreciation for the natural world.

CLIENT OBJECTIVES
This forms part of their Year 6 geography module. It develops key skills such as understanding of the local environment, map reading and orienteering skills and the essential PSHE skills for life, including team building.

THE COURSE
By working in partnership with Leighswood, we were able to develop a course that ensured the skills taught in the classroom were developed at the centre. This included making sure that every child looked at the natural environment around the centre and understood the importance of looking after the environment.

OUTCOME
Increased environmental awareness. By taking the pupils out on a variety of activities around the centre, they were able to experience first hand an environment completely different to that of the schools.

Improved team working skills. Map reading and orienteering encouraged the pupils to work as a team outside of their close circle of friends.

Increased skills for life. By taking part in a wide range of activities the pupils were able to increase their self-confidence and enthusiasm for learning. At the end of their course, each pupil created a project book containing all their learning that will ensure the experience lasts with them for years to come.

THE TRUST’S CENTRE IN ABERDOVEY GAVE OUR PUPILS THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE THE ENVIRONMENT AND LEARN A RANGE OF NEW SKILLS INCLUDING MAP READING. THE EXPERIENCE ALSO BECAME AN INSPIRATION FOR A RANGE OF GENRES OF WRITING. THE STAFF WERE WELCOMING AND SUPPORTIVE TO THE NEEDS OF EVERY CHILD, ON WHAT, FOR MANY, WAS THEIR FIRST TRIP WAY FROM HOME. WE CAN’T WAIT FOR OUR NEXT VISIT!
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