

2017-2018 Prospectus



Running Deer



Vision

Running Deer know that young people can reach their full potential given time, the right opportunity and the support they need.

Our values are based on respect.

1. Respect for self.
2. Respect for others.
3. Respect for the environment.

We strive to:

1. Be ethical in everything we do.
2. Be user led and transparent at all times.
3. Promote inclusiveness.
4. Make a positive difference to peoples lives.



Learning

Running Deer believe that a young person centred approach to learning will offer the best outcome to each and every individual.

Running Deer's dedicated team provide a holistic and inclusive approach to the social, emotional and learning development of the young person, with the emphasis on enabling them to become better human beings and integrate fully into their community.

We work with students in small groups, 1:1 or 2:1 depending on the level of support required.

We believe that there should be social equality between staff and students and that everyone's opinion matters. Students have the right to challenge the relevance of what they're learning and are able to work at their own pace, without being compared to others.

Through individualised education programmes we are able to support our students to do the very best that they can.



Curriculum

Running Deer's curriculum is tailor-made to meet the specific needs of each young person we work with, helping them grow and develop.

Our core curriculum of land based studies, arts and crafts and equine studies are enriched by a bespoke education and therapeutic support package to meet the specific needs of the individual student.

At Butterwood Wood, the home of Running Deer, we have the space for young people with Special Educational Needs to express themselves without the confines of a traditional classroom environment.

Nature is one of our biggest therapeutic tools and Butterdon Wood is perfect for young people to learn, develop and participate in activities, even if they do not engage with nature directly.

Our classroom subjects are delivered in our friendly school room in Moretonhampstead by Running Deer's experienced, qualified BEd teachers and staff.



Process

Our referral process is simple.

The referral process for young people attending Running Deer School is as follows for 2017-2018:

1. Initial enquiry received by Running Deer School.
2. Arrangements made for a pre-referral, on-site visit to Running Deer.
3. Following a successful pre-referral visit to Running Deer, an application form and accompanying risk assessment will need to be completed and returned.
4. On receipt of a completed application, potential students will be invited to attend a more formal visit where their individual needs and desired outcomes will be discussed.
5. Once the application is accepted and funding has been confirmed a start date will be agreed.

Running Deer School accepts applications all year around.

Contact Running Deer School at:

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About

Running Deer...learn it. Live it. LOVE IT!

Running Deer School is an Independent School for Special Educational Needs providing high support specialist education for young people in Devon. It is part of the Running Deer Group.

Running Deer CIC is a Devon based not-for-profit social enterprise set up to support local people including those at risk of exclusion.

Established in 2011, we provide access to learning outside the classroom, training, volunteering, life skills opportunities and work experience in traditional and rural skills, bushcraft and survival skills, equine therapy, conservation and related activities.

We offer opportunities with a difference! It is recognised that everyone benefits from having access to nature and physical activity. MIND's Ecotherapy report 2007 revealed that a greener, more active lifestyle aids positive changes to our mental health. This is where our focus lies.

Running Deer CIC's community projects are core to our aims and objectives. We have delivered many successful projects supporting people at risk of exclusion including rural skills education, horticultural projects and school initiatives.

To find out more about Running Deer visit www.runningdeer.org.uk



Running Deer School is an Independent School for Special Educational Needs providing high support specialist education for young people in Devon.

Running Deer's practical skills and therapeutic education enables young people in Devon to overcome barriers to learning; designed to stimulate and challenge them, supporting their personal development, improving confidence, self-esteem, communication social and emotional well-being.

Running Deer School is a DfE registered independent school. (Registration number: 878/6067)