



MARINE ACADEMY
PLYMOUTH

ENRICHMENT DAY

Thursday 17 December 2026

Twenty-three experiences. One unforgettable day.
Treetops and theme parks, caves and karting, studios
and slopes — this is learning without walls.

● Aim High ● Be Kind ● Don't Give Up

#theMAPdifference

Learning doesn't stop at the classroom door

Enrichment Day is one of the moments that makes MAP, MAP.

For one day the timetable steps aside and every student chooses an adventure. Racing wheel-to-wheel on a karting circuit. Stepping off a platform into the treetops. Crawling through a real cave system. Standing inside a rainforest in the middle of Cornwall.

These are the days students talk about for years. They are also where real growth happens — trying something unfamiliar, backing a friend when it gets tough, and discovering you are capable of far more than you thought. Every experience in this booklet is built around our three values.



Aim High

Push your limits and try something you have never done before.



Be Kind

Cheer each other on and look out for your group all day.



Don't Give Up

Keep going when it gets hard. That is where confidence comes from.



Nine activities are completely free

Almost everything here at the academy costs **nothing at all**, so every student can be part of the day.

Beyond the academy

Thirteen day trips across Devon, Cornwall, Somerset, Bristol and Wiltshire.

TRIP	COST	PLACES	PAGE
Longleat Wiltshire · Festival of Light — A world-famous safari	£34.50	64	8
Paignton Zoo Devon — Two expert talks	£25.00	91	9
Eden Project Cornwall — Walk into a rainforest	£16.00	65	10
Teamworks Karting Plymouth — Real racing	£13.90	100	11
Go Ape Haldon Forest — Treetop zip wires	£34.80	40	12
Wookey Hole Somerset · Adventure caving — Genuine caving	£43.50	35	13
Lost Gardens of Heligan Cornwall — A real lost world	£19.50	45	14
We The Curious Bristol — Everything is hands-on	£42.50	45	15
Plymouth Ski Centre Plymouth · Ski & snowboard — Learn a real sport	£35.80	45	16
Clip 'n Climb Plymouth · Years 7–9 only — Twenty-plus challenges	£10.00	17	17
Bodmin Jail Cornwall — History where it happened	£19.00	40	18
Truro Pantomime Truro, Cornwall — Professional theatre	£27.00	20	19
Cinema Trip Plymouth · IMAX / Vue — The big screen	£12.00	64	20



Booking opens

Wednesday 21 October at 5:30pm — full details on page 6.

In the academy

Ten activities right here at MAP — and nine of them are completely free.

ACTIVITY	COST	PLACES	PAGE
Art Christmas Carousel A full day in the art studios rotating through festive making —...	£7	60	22
MAP Football Academy A full day of football on the academy pitches. Skills work,...	Free	60	22
MAP Climbing A day on the academy climbing wall. Learn to read a route, trust...	Free	12	22
Wellbeing Zone, Board Games & Mindfulness A calm, friendly day of games, mindfulness and time to unwind....	Free	30	22
MAP Racket Sports Badminton, pickleball and table tennis in the sports hall. Learn...	Free	20	22
Board Games, Chess, Draughts & Warhammer A day of strategy. Chess ladders, classic board games, draughts...	Free	30	23
MAP Dance Learn a full routine across the day in a supportive studio where...	Free	15	23
MAP Cheer Motions, jumps, counts and formations built into a full squad...	Free	15	23
MAP Academic A day for curious minds. Go beyond the curriculum, tackle big...	Free	30	23
Winter Craft & Crochet A warm, calm day of winter crafting and crochet in NEST. Learn a...	Free	TBC	23



Nobody misses out

Every student takes part in Enrichment Day. If cost is ever a barrier, please speak to us in confidence — we will always find a way.

Before you book

A few things every family should know.



Prices are provisional

Every price in this booklet is an estimate and may change. We will confirm the **final cost in writing** before any payment is due.



Timings are provisional

Departure and return times are our best estimate at this stage. **Final timings will be confirmed in your trip letter.**



The price covers the whole day

Entry to the venue, coach travel both ways and all staffing are included.



Paying in two instalments

Our two highest-priced trips — **We The Curious** and **Wookey Hole** — can be paid for in **two separate payments** if that is easier.



Lunch

Students should bring a packed lunch. **A free packed lunch is available for any student entitled to free school meals** — just let us know.



One venue still to be confirmed

The **Cinema Trip** venue is still being confirmed between the IMAX and Vue. We will let you know as soon as we can.

Help with the cost



If your family is experiencing financial hardship, please speak to your child's **year team** in confidence. Support is available and **no student will miss out** because of money.

How to book and pay

Everything you need to secure a place.

BOOKING OPENS

Wednesday 21 October at 5:30pm



ALL BOOKINGS AND PAYMENTS ARE MADE THROUGH

My Child At School

Log in to the MCAS app or website from 5:30pm on Wednesday 21 October, choose your child's trip and pay there. If you cannot access your MCAS account, please contact the academy office **before** booking opens so you are ready.

1

Talk it through at home

Check the cost, the timings and anything your child needs to be comfortable with.

2

Check your MCAS login now

Make sure you can sign in to My Child At School before Wednesday, so you are not locked out when booking opens.

3

Book and pay from 5:30pm

Choose your child's trip and pay through MCAS. If a trip is already full, choose another — there is something here for everyone.

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Watch for your trip letter

It confirms the **final cost** and **final timings**, plus everything to bring on the day.

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Beyond the academy

Thirteen day trips. Safari parks and rainforests, caves and karting circuits, ski slopes and treetop zip wires. Scan the code on any page to explore the venue for yourself.

13 trips • from £10



A safari park and stately home lit up for Christmas. Thousands of giant illuminated lanterns line the grounds after dark, and the safari takes you close to lions, rhinos and monkeys on the way round. A long day, but an unforgettable one.

Why you'll love it

- ☆ **A world-famous safari**
Get close to animals you'll normally only see on television.
- ☆ **Worth the early start**
The longest day out we run, and the one students talk about most.

- ☆ **The Festival of Light**
Giant lanterns and light trails that look incredible after dark.

COST £34.50	PLACES 64	WHERE Wiltshire
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The day

5:45am
 Leave MAP

7:45pm
 Back at MAP



Explore the venue

An early start and a late finish. Only book if you are confident you can be here for 5:45am.



Paignton Zoo

One of the country's leading conservation zoos, set across 80 acres of woodland and savannah. Students get two expert-led talks on the day, going behind the scenes of how a modern zoo protects endangered species.

Why you'll love it

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Two expert talks
Conservation science straight from the keepers who do it.
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Animals from six continents
Lemurs, lions, giraffes, orangutans and more.
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Conservation in action
See how a modern zoo helps species survive in the wild.

COST £25.00	PLACES 91	WHERE Devon
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The day

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8:30am

Leave MAP

3:30pm

Back at MAP



Explore the venue

Aim High

Be Kind

Eden Project

Step from a Mediterranean hillside into a steaming tropical rainforest without leaving Cornwall. The giant biomes hold thousands of plants from around the world, and at Christmas the whole site is lit up for the festive season.

Why you'll love it



Walk into a rainforest

The largest indoor rainforest in the world, kept at full tropical heat.



Science you can stand inside

Climate, ecology and sustainability made real.



Christmas at Eden

The biomes and gardens lit up for the festive season.

COST

£16.00

PLACES

65

WHERE

Cornwall



The day



8:15am

Leave MAP



3:30pm

Back at MAP



Explore
the venue



Teamworks Karting

Four hours of racing on Plymouth's indoor circuit. Full briefing, race suits and helmets provided, then it is wheel-to-wheel against your friends with live timing and a podium at the end.

Why you'll love it

- ☆ **Real racing**

Proper karts, a proper circuit and live lap timings.
- ☆ **Everyone can do it**

Full safety briefing and kit — no experience needed.
- ☆ **Race your friends**

Head-to-head competition and a podium finish to aim for.

COST £13.90	PLACES 100	WHERE Plymouth
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🕒 **The day**

Students walk down and back with staff.

Timings confirmed in your trip letter.



Explore the venue

Students walk down to the circuit and back with staff, so there is no coach travel.



High ropes, rope ladders and zip wires through the treetops of Haldon Forest. You are harnessed in throughout, working your way around a course that gets you well above the forest floor.

Why you'll love it

- ☆ **Treetop zip wires**
Long, fast descents through the forest canopy.
- ☆ **Back your team**
Everyone cheers everyone else round. That's the point.

- ☆ **Face the height**
The best feeling of the day is finishing a crossing you were nervous about.

COST £34.80	PLACES 40	WHERE Haldon Forest
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The day

9:00am

Leave MAP

2:00pm

Back at MAP



Explore the venue

Students must be comfortable with heights and wearing a harness all the way round.



Kit up and head underground into a real cave system carved out by an underground river. This is proper adventure caving — crawling, climbing and squeezing through passages, with the spectacular show caves to explore as well.

Why you'll love it

- ☆ **Genuine caving**
Helmets, lamps and real passages — not a walkway.
- ☆ **Push past nervous**
Tight spaces and dark corners you'll be glad you tried.

- ☆ **Underground rivers**
Chambers and pools shaped over thousands of years.

COST	PLACES	WHERE
£43.50	35	Somerset

 **The day**

7:45am
Leave MAP

4:00pm
Back at MAP



Explore the venue

Can be paid for in **two separate payments** if that helps. Involves crawling and tight spaces, so please consider this carefully before booking.

Aim High

Be Kind

Lost Gardens of Heligan

Two hundred acres of gardens that lay lost and overgrown for seventy years before being rediscovered and restored. Jungle valleys, rope bridges, giant tree ferns and the famous living sculptures hidden in the woodland.

Why you'll love it



A real lost world

Gardens abandoned after the First World War and brought back to life.



The jungle boardwalk

Rope bridges and tree ferns in a sub-tropical valley.



Wildlife and woodland

Space to walk, look and breathe for a whole day.

COST

£19.50

PLACES

45

WHERE

Cornwall



The day



8:00am

Leave MAP



3:50pm

Back at MAP



Explore
the venue



We The Curious

Hundreds of hands-on exhibits where everything is designed to be touched, tested and played with. Step inside a giant bubble, build and launch your own creations, and finish in the planetarium.

Why you'll love it



Everything is hands-on

No signs telling you not to touch.



The planetarium

A full 3D dome show above your head.



Science that sticks

The kind of day that makes a subject click.

COST

£42.50

PLACES

45

WHERE

Bristol



The day

Timings confirmed in your trip letter.



Explore
the venue

This trip can be paid for in **two separate payments** if that helps.

Aim High

Don't Give Up

Plymouth Ski Centre

Ski & snowboard

A full session on the slopes at Plymouth's snowsports centre, with qualified instructors teaching you from the very first step. Complete beginners welcome — most students have never skied before.

Why you'll love it

- ☆ **Learn a real sport**
Qualified instruction on a proper slope.
- ☆ **Beginners welcome**
Most students start the day having never skied.
- ☆ **Keep getting up**
You will fall over. Then you will get it.

COST

£35.80

PLACES

45

WHERE

Plymouth

🕒 The day

9:00am

Leave MAP

2:00pm

Back at MAP

Explore
the venue

Includes professional instruction and all equipment hire.



Over twenty different climbing challenges, each one a bit different and a bit harder than the last. Auto-belays mean you are safe the whole way up, so you can push yourself as high as you dare.

Why you'll love it



Twenty-plus challenges

Every wall is a different puzzle to solve.



Safe to push yourself

Auto-belay systems let you climb with confidence.



Beat your own height

The only person you're competing with is you.

COST

£10.00

PLACES

17

WHERE

Plymouth



The day

Timings confirmed in your trip letter.



Explore
the venue

This trip is open to Years 7, 8 and 9 only.

Aim High

Be Kind

Bodmin Jail

A Georgian prison turned immersive history attraction. Walk the cells and corridors where real prisoners were held, and take the Dark Walk — a walk-through experience telling the true stories of Cornish crime and punishment.

Why you'll love it



History where it happened

Real cells, real corridors, real stories.



The Dark Walk

An immersive walk-through that brings the past uncomfortably close.



Crime and punishment

Perfect for anyone who loves history with an edge.

COST

£19.00

PLACES

40

WHERE

Cornwall



The day

Timings confirmed in your trip letter.



Explore
the venue

Aim High

Be Kind



Truro Pantomime

Oh yes it is! A professional Christmas pantomime at Hall for Cornwall, the county's biggest theatre. Expect dazzling sets, live music, laugh-out-loud comedy and plenty of shouting at the stage. A proper festive day out, and for many students their first taste of live professional theatre.

Why you'll love it



Professional theatre

A full-scale production on Cornwall's largest stage.



Pure Christmas

Songs, slapstick and audience participation throughout.



Something different

A warm, lively day out with a real sense of occasion.

COST

£27.00

PLACES

20

WHERE

Truro, Cornwall



The day

Timings confirmed in your trip letter.



Explore
the venue



Cinema Trip

IMAX / Vue

A big-screen morning at the cinema in Plymouth, back at the academy for the afternoon. Our lowest-cost trip off site, and a relaxed, festive way to spend Enrichment Day with your year group.

Why you'll love it

- ☆ **The big screen**
A proper cinema experience with your friends.
- ☆ **Lowest-cost trip**
The most affordable way to get off site for the day.
- ☆ **Relaxed and festive**
A calm day out in the run-up to Christmas.

COST

£12.00

PLACES

64

WHERE

Plymouth

🕒 The day



10:00am

Leave MAP



1:30pm

Back at MAP



Explore
the venue

Final venue to be confirmed between Vue and the IMAX.

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In the academy

Ten activities right here at MAP. Creative, sporty, strategic and calm — a full day of doing something you love with the people you love doing it with.

10 activities • nine of them free

In the academy

Open to every year group. Nine of the ten are completely free.



Art Christmas Carousel

A full day in the art studios rotating through festive making — printing, decorations, design and seasonal crafts. Try several different techniques and take home everything you create.

£7

60 places

Aim High

Be Kind



MAP Football Academy

A full day of football on the academy pitches. Skills work, small-sided games and a tournament to finish, coached by our PE team.

Free

60 places

Aim High

Don't Give Up



MAP Climbing

A day on the academy climbing wall. Learn to read a route, trust your feet and climb safely, pushing a little higher with every attempt.

Free

12 places

Aim High

Don't Give Up



Wellbeing Zone, Board Games & Mindfulness

A calm, friendly day of games, mindfulness and time to unwind. Good company, no pressure and a gentle pace from start to finish.

Free

30 places

Be Kind

Don't Give Up



MAP Racket Sports

Badminton, pickleball and table tennis in the sports hall. Learn the shots, play plenty of matches and finish with a round-robin.

Free

20 places

Aim High

Be Kind

In the academy

Continued.



Board Games, Chess, Draughts & Warhammer

A day of strategy. Chess ladders, classic board games, draughts and Warhammer battles fought out across the tabletop.

Free

30 places

Aim High

Don't Give Up



MAP Dance

Learn a full routine across the day in a supportive studio where every style is welcome, and perform it together at the end.

Free

15 places

Aim High

Be Kind



MAP Cheer

Motions, jumps, counts and formations built into a full squad routine. Big energy, sharp teamwork and a performance to finish.

Free

15 places

Aim High

Be Kind



MAP Academic

A day for curious minds. Go beyond the curriculum, tackle big questions and stretch your thinking well past the usual lesson.

Free

30 places

Aim High

Don't Give Up



Winter Craft & Crochet

A warm, calm day of winter crafting and crochet in NEST. Learn a new skill from scratch and make something to keep or give.

Free

Places TBC

Be Kind

Don't Give Up

Timings at a glance

Pop this page on the fridge. Always check your trip letter for final details.

ACTIVITY	LEAVES MAP	BACK AT MAP
Longleat	5:45am	7:45pm
Wookey Hole	7:45am	4:00pm
Lost Gardens of Heligan	8:00am	3:50pm
Eden Project	8:15am	3:30pm
Paignton Zoo	8:30am	3:30pm
Go Ape	9:00am	2:00pm
Plymouth Ski Centre	9:00am	2:00pm
Cinema Trip	10:00am	1:30pm
Teamworks Karting	Walk down with staff — times in your trip letter	
We The Curious	Confirmed in your trip letter	
Clip 'n Climb	Confirmed in your trip letter	
Bodmin Jail	Confirmed in your trip letter	
Truro Pantomime	Confirmed in your trip letter	
All in-academy activities	8:30am	2:50pm



Be here on time

Arrive by **8:30am** for registration unless told otherwise. Coaches cannot wait.



Longleat is a very long day

It leaves at **5:45am** and returns at **7:45pm**. Please only book if you are confident your child can be here for that start.



These timings are provisional

Every time here is our best estimate. **Final timings are confirmed in your trip letter.**

Before the big day

A few simple things make sure every student gets the most out of their day.



Be here on time

Arrive by **8:30am** for registration unless your trip letter says otherwise.



Read your trip letter

It carries the final timings, the final cost and everything to bring. Read it carefully so there are no surprises on the day.



Pack for the weather

This is December. Warm layers, a waterproof coat and sensible footwear for anyone outdoors — Heligan, Go Ape, Longleat and Eden especially.



Bring a packed lunch

Unless your trip letter says otherwise. Free school meal students will be provided with a packed lunch — just let us know.



Bring the MAP spirit

Aim high, be kind to everyone around you and don't give up when things get challenging. That is what makes the day unforgettable.



Aim High

Be Kind

Don't Give Up

Scan the codes inside to explore every venue. Booking opens Wednesday 21 October at 5:30pm. We can't wait to see where the day takes you.

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