

Wild Blue Yonder

Learning from Land & Sea

Teacher Training

Attendee Information

April 2026



Water Testing @ River Keer
Carnforth Primary School

Introduction

Thank you for booking onto one of our professional training sessions with Gemma Wren (NaturesGems Ltd).

Funded by the Areti Charitable Trust, this training opportunity has been developed in consultation with local teachers to help build confidence in taking young people into nearby natural spaces.

Focusing on the three main ecosystems found across Morecambe Bay, each day of the programme will aim to:

- **Build teachers' confidence** in leading outdoor learning experiences with young people in a safe and secure way
- **Provide practical tools** to help students connect with nature and develop an appreciation of the natural world
- **Explore habitat-specific content** to deepen knowledge of the environments found around Morecambe Bay
- **Share ideas for positive climate action** that enhance learning experiences for both students and teachers
- **Discuss climate anxiety** and explore ways to support young people in responding to these challenges constructively

Pond Dipping in Kendal
Sandgate School



About the day

Depending on the weather, each day will generally follow a similar structure (with a lunch break in the middle):

Part 1 – Course overview and introductions (indoors)

Part 2 – Key habitat and climate issues (indoors)

Part 3 – Site visit planning (indoors)

Part 4 – On-site habitat learning (outdoors)

The indoor sessions will take place at a suitable venue close to each outdoor site (within a maximum 20-minute walk) and will have fully accessible facilities.

Refreshments will be provided throughout the day. Please bring a refillable bottle or cup. Lunch will not be provided, and local food options may be limited, so we recommend bringing a packed lunch.

Please bring the following with you:

- Warm, waterproof clothing
- Boots or wellies with suitable grip for outdoor terrain
- A towel (just in case)
- A camping chair/sit mat (optional, for those who may find standing for long periods difficult)
- A backpack
- A notepad or tablet for taking notes
- Sunscreen



Bird Watching @ Leighton Moss
Carnforth Primary School

Day specifics

Woodland

Date & Time | 22 APR (9:00-15:00)

Locations | Leighton Moss (& Trowbarrow)
Storrs Ln, Silverdale, Carnforth LA5 0SW
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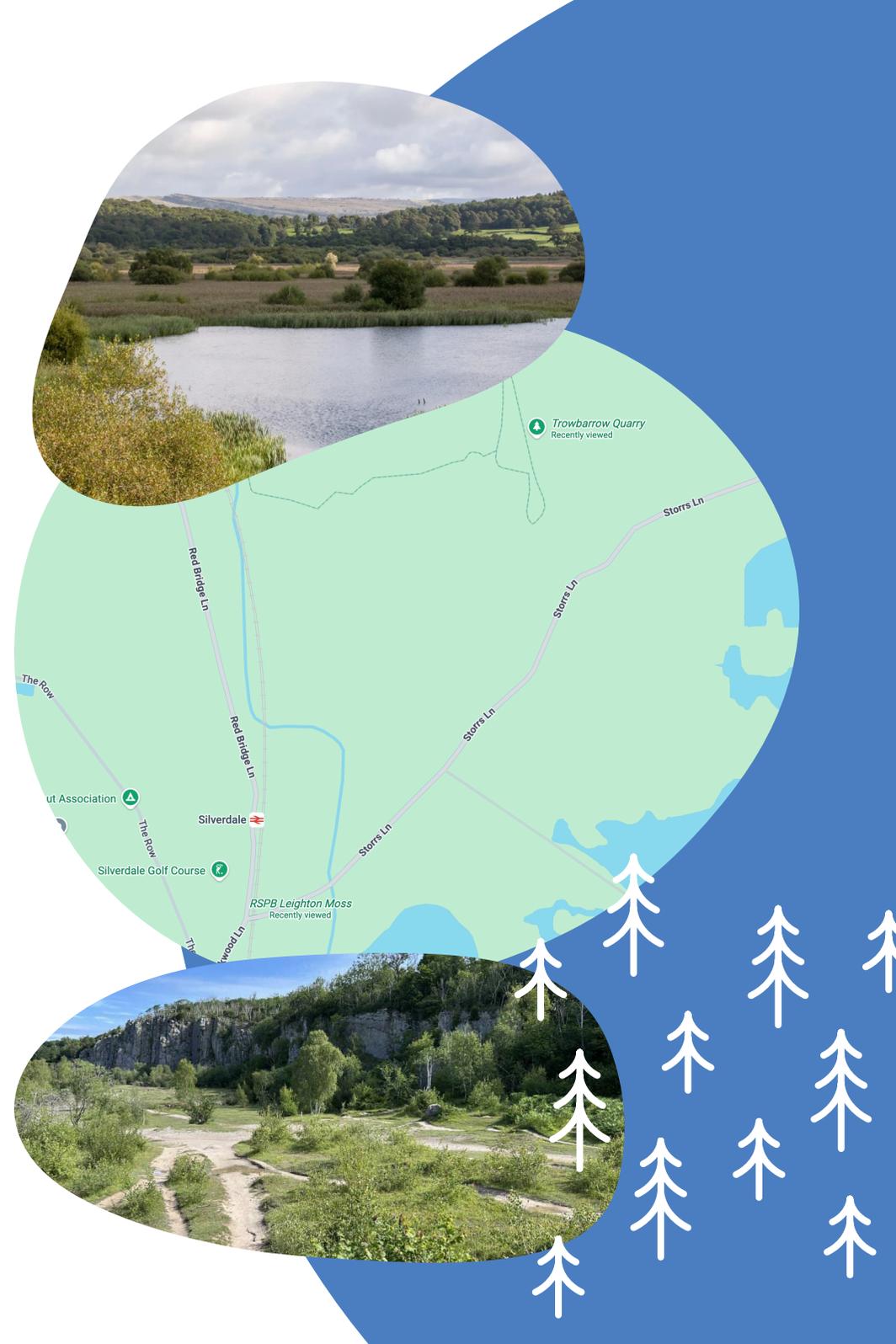
Transport | Silverdale train station is a 5-minute (250m) walk away on the Manchester-Barrow line, and bus routes 49, 51, and 550 stopping directly outside the visitor center. Free parking available next to the visitor centre.

Accessibility

During the day, there will be a 15–20 minute walk to and from Trowbarrow Quarry. The route is considered ‘easy/moderate’, with some uphill or downhill elevations. Generally, the walking routes are well maintained but may involve some rougher terrain. It includes a short 5-minute section walking on a main road.

We recommend wearing ankle-high walking boots to provide good support when walking on uneven surfaces, rocks and tree roots.

There is a compost loo and tap at the forest school area in Trowbarrow that can be used on the day.



Day specifics

Coastal

Date & Time | 23 APR (9:00-15:00)

Locations | Jubilee Institute (& Half-Moon Bay)
30 Main St, Heysham, Morecambe LA3 2RW
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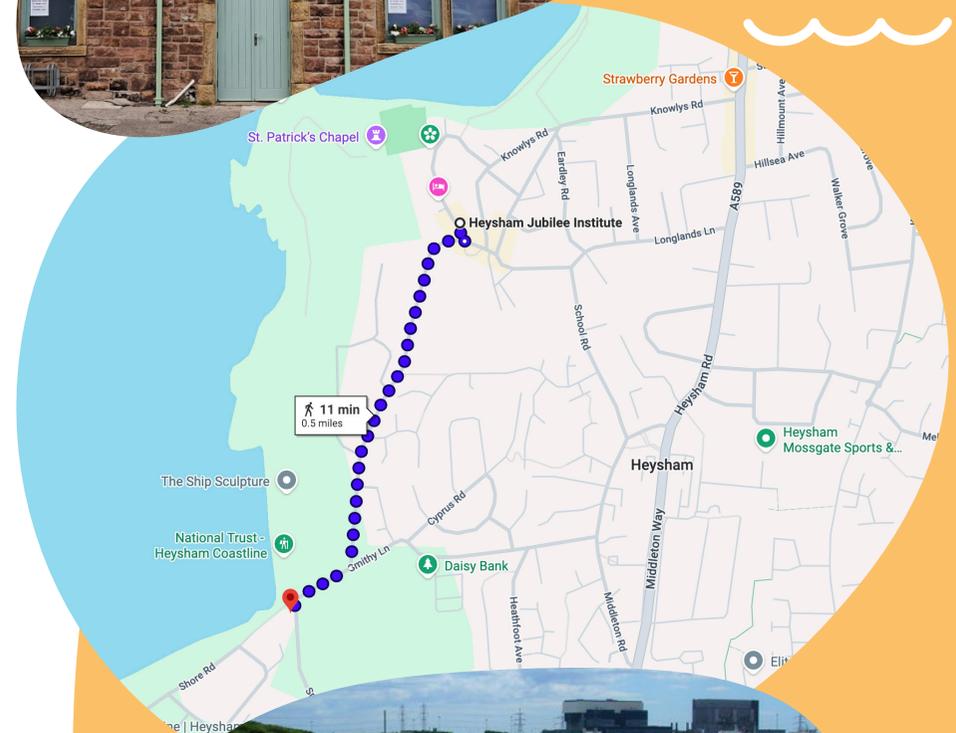
Transport | Stagecoach bus services 1, 1A, and 2X, taking approximately 12-20 minutes. Buses depart regularly (every 10-20 minutes) from central Morecambe. On-street parking is available.

Accessibility

During the day, there will be a 15–20 minute walk to and from Half-Moon Bay. The route is considered ‘easy’, with gentle gradients and no steep uphill or downhill sections. It includes some walking through urban areas and may involve crossing roads.

We recommend wearing ankle-high walking boots to provide good support when walking across pebbles, sand, and potentially algae-covered rocks on the beach.

Toilet facilities are available at the café near the bay, although these are typically for customers (for example, with the purchase of a drink).



Day specifics

Riverside

Date & Time | 28 APR (9:00-15:00)

Locations | Caton Primary School (& River Lune)
Broadacre, Caton, Lancaster, LA2 9NH
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Transport | You can get the 81 (Kirkby Lonsdale) from Lancaster Cable Street, taking around 25 minutes. Dropping off in Caton, it is a 5-minute walk to the primary school. Onsite and roadside parking available.

Accessibility

During the day, there will be a 15–20 minute walk to and from the River Lune. The route is considered ‘easy’, with gentle gradients and no steep uphill or downhill sections. It includes some walking through urban areas and may involve crossing roads.

We recommend wearing ankle-high walking boots to provide good support when walking on uneven surfaces, grassed areas and dirt tracks.

There are no toilet facilities at the riverside.



About

Morecambe Bay Partnership is a registered charity dedicated to connecting people with the nature, culture, and heritage of Morecambe Bay. It works with local communities, volunteers, schools, and partner organisations to help people appreciate, access, and care for this unique coastal environment.

Through events, training, community projects, and educational activities, the organisation encourages people to engage with the Bay while helping to protect its wildlife, landscapes, and cultural heritage for future generations. The charity also supports volunteering opportunities and collaborative initiatives that promote pride in the area and inspire communities to look after the Bay.

Contact

For queries about any of the training days, to make changes to your booking, or to chat about our youth engagement schemes, please contact Youth Engagement Officer, Anthony Briggs via the details below.

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Trumacar Primary School