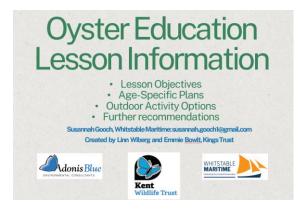


## Internship: Case Study L Wiberg / E Bowlt: Interns with The CrownEstate, 2024

**Learning objective:** To develop Oyster Education Programme for KS2 groups (both local and visiting schools) which can be delivered in Whitstable in different formats and time frames.

## **Learning Activities:**

- Desk based research to understand local maritime heritage and the importance of oysters
- Both desk based and in-person research to understand the different types of programme delivery which could be suitable for both inclassroom and outdoor delivery
- Analysis and interpretation understand current conservation challenges and opportunities looking forward



## Oyster Education Programme

- Learning objective Local Maritime Heritage: To understand the history of oysters (eating and farming) in Whitstable and the UK
- Learning objective Oyster Biology and Ecology:
  - Learning objective 1: Understand basic biology of an oyster: anatomy, feeding, life cycle and life span
  - Learning objective 2: Understand basic ecology of an oyster: habitat and ecosystem services
  - Learning objective 3: What is the difference between a Pacific and a Native Oyster (e.g. differences in biology and ecology)
- Learning objective Oyster Conservation:
  - Learning objective 1: Understand that Pacific Oysters are thriving and Native Oysters are struggling in the current climate
  - o Learning objective 2: Understand the impact of over-farming on oysters
  - Learning Objective 3: Understand how water quality impacts oysters
- Age-specific plans: Programme can be adapted in order that the programme can be delivered to upper KS1 and whole KS3 groups, in addition to target group KS2
- **Outdoor Teaching Options:** Adaptations available to the original lesson plan with some practical activities



## Learning Outcomes:

- Research: Use of desk-based and in-person research to build out the course material
- Developing interview questions to draw out information on programmes formats delivery methods
- **Skills Development:** Interviewing stakeholders in education to ensure programme material is relevant and correctly pitched to KS2
- **Developing a lesson plan**: Learning to devise a lesson plan that fosters conservation knowledge and that can be easily understood and implemented in KS2 classes
- **Confidence Building**: Gaining confidence through following both the pre-prepared interview questions and asking probing, follow-up questions.
- **Presentations**: Practical examples of how to prepare and present back information, eg powerpoint, reports, etc
- **Stakeholder engagement**: Gain understanding of importance of stakeholder engagement and support, and develop process to work with opposing groups. Acknowledge a best-practice approach to stakeholder engagement that includes all stakeholders from the beginning.
- **Insight**: Getting a glimpse into different career paths, eg heritage crafts, research, marketing & communications
- Work Ethic: Understanding the importance of punctuality, responsibility, and professionalism



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