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Education Outside the Classroom: An assessment of activity and practice in schools and local authorities

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Introduction

In order to obtain a greater understanding of the extent and nature of education outside the classroom (EOtC) in England, the Department for Education and Skills (DfES), in collaboration with Natural England and Farming and Countryside Education (FACE), commissioned the National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) to undertake an assessment of EOtC activity and practice in schools and local authorities (LAs).

The research involved questionnaire surveys of representative samples of primary, secondary and special schools, and questionnaires were sent to the following members of teaching staff, in June 2006:

- the headteacher
- teachers with responsibility for the Foundation Stage, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 (one of each per primary school)
- heads of 15 subject departments in each secondary school
- teachers with responsibility for EOtC in special schools (one per school).

An online survey of Outdoor Education Advisers (OEAs), as well as Citizenship and PSHE advisers in all LAs was also undertaken.

This appendix presents the questionnaires that were used in the surveys of schools and local authorities, as follows:

- Local Authority questionnaire
- Primary Headteacher questionnaire (identical questions were asked in the questionnaires for special school and secondary school headteacher, although question nine on the secondary headteacher questionnaire had slightly different response items it asked about 'teachers in the relevant curriculum area', rather than 'support staff', as on the primary and special school headteacher questionnaires).
- Key Stage 1 coordinator questionnaire (identical questions were asked in the questionnaires for Foundation Stage coordinators and Key Stage 2 coordinators).
- Head of Business Studies questionnaire (identical questionnaires were used for each of the 15 secondary subject heads).

The research began through the Countryside Agency, which has since become part of Natural England.



Education Outside the Classroom

Local Authority Questionnaire

This questionnaire is part of a study on **education outside the classroom**, which the NFER is undertaking on behalf of the Department for Education and Skills, the Countryside Agency and Farming and Countryside Education. The aim of the research is to collect information on the extent and nature of education outside the classroom provision across schools and local authorities in order to obtain a greater understanding of the current situation and to inform the development of future government policy on out of classroom learning.

'Education outside the classroom' (EOtC) refers to the use of contexts other than the classroom environment as a teaching and learning resource and may include:

- **School site activities** (e.g. science lessons in a vegetable or wildlife area, drama in the outdoors)
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- Off-site residential experiences overseas (e.g. cultural and language exchanges, expeditions)
- Non-residential activities that take place during school holiday periods (e.g. city farm summer schools, Summer Reading Challenge, Do It for Real activities)

We would be most grateful for your help in providing information about EOtC in your authority. The questionnaire should take no more than 20 minutes to complete. Please be assured that your answers will be treated in confidence and reported only in aggregated form. We would be grateful if you could complete the questionnaire within two weeks.

Thank you very much for your help with this important piece of research.

Α.	Background		
Q1	Which local authority	/ authorities do you work fo	r?
Q2	What is your role with (Please tick all that app	hin the local authority/ autho	orities?
	Outdoor Education Advi	iser	
	PSHE Adviser		
	Citizenship Adviser		$\bar{\Box}$
	Other role, but with edu	cation outside the classroom/ rt of remit (please specify what	
this	questionnaire in relati	one local authority, please a on to the <u>one</u> local autho e below which local authorit	rity in which you
Q3		our time, in an average wee atters? (Please tick one box o	•
	1-20%		
	21-40%		
	41-60%		
	61-80%		
	81-100%		
Q4		vithin your local authority are C matters? (Please indicate the d special schools)	-
	Primary schools:		
	Secondary schools:		
	Special schools:		

B. Nature of EOtC provision

What types of EOtC activities do schools in your local authority provide for pupils? Please answer separately for primary, secondary and special schools. (Please tick one box on each line)

Primary schools:	All schools	Most schools	Some schools	No schools	Not sure
School site activities					
Off-site day visits					
Before/ after school study					
support Off-site residential experiences					
within the UK Off-site residential experiences					
overseas					
Non-residential activities in holiday periods					
Secondary schools:	All schools	Most schools	Some schools	No schools	Not
School site activities			Schools	Schools	sure
Off-site day visits					
Before/ after school study					
support Off-site residential	П		П	П	
experiences within the UK Off-site residential	_		_	_	
experiences overseas Non-residential activities in	_				
holiday periods					
Special schools:					
Please tick here if there are no sp	pecial sch	ools in yo	ur author	ity:	
Special schools:	All schools	Most schools	Some schools	No schools	Not sure
School site activities					
Off-site day visits					
Before/ after school study support					
Off-site residential					
experiences within the UK Off-site residential	_	_	_	_	
experiences overseas Non-residential activities in					
holiday periods					

Q6	If there are any differences in the amount and type of EOtC provision in schools, what, in your view, are the main reasons for such differences:
	Within each sector?
	Between different primary schools
	Between different secondary schools
	Between different special schools
	Between the sectors? Between primary and secondary schools
	Between primary and special schools
	Between secondary and special schools

Q7	Please could you estimate the level of EOtC provision that, on average, schools across your authority provide at each of the key stages.					
	(Please tick one box on e	,		_		
			ery exter		-	limited
		1	2	3	4	5
	Foundation Stage					
	Key stage 1					
	Key stage 2					
	Key stage 3					
	Key stage 4					
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Q10	O Are individual pupil's EOtC experiences monitored across their school life, from key stage to key stage? (Please tick all that apply)					
	Yes, there is monitoring within indiv	idual schoo	ls			
	Yes, there is monitoring across diffe	erent school	s that pup	ils attend		
	Yes, there is monitoring at local aut	hority level				
	No, there is no monitoring					
	Not sure					
C.	Perceptions of change in E	EOtC pro	vision			
Q11	Overall, do you think that the as schools in the LA has changed answer separately for primary, (Please tick one box on each line	in the last secondary	five yea	rs? Pleas	е	
	Primary schools:		No			
	School site activities	Increased	change	Decreased	Not sure	
	Off-site day visits Before/after school study support					
	Off-site residential experiences within the UK					
	Off-site residential experiences overseas					
	Non-residential activities in holiday periods					
	Secondary schools:	Increased	No change	Decreased	Not sure	
	School site activities					
	Off-site day visits					
	Before/after school study support					
	Off-site residential experiences within the UK					
	Off-site residential experiences overseas					
	Non-residential activities in holiday periods					

	Special schools:					
	Please tick here if there are no speci	ial schools	in your	auth	nority:	
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	Before/after school study support					
(Off-site residential experiences within the UK					
	Off-site residential experiences overseas					
	Non-residential activities in holiday periods					
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					increase	decrease
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Q13 Is there a common risk management strategy for EOtC across **schools in the authority?** (Please tick one box only) Yes, all schools use a common risk management procedure П Yes, some schools use a common procedure No, there is no common practice Q14 What risk management guidance does the local authority use? (Please tick one box on each line) Nο Don't Yes know Outdoor Education Advisers Panel guidance Department for Education and Skills guidance The local authority's own guidance Other (please specify) E. **Funding of EOtC provision** Q15 Does the local authority contribute to funding (wholly or partly) **EOtC services or centres?** (Please tick one box only) Yes No Not sure Q16 Does the local authority ever contribute to funding (wholly or partly) EOtC activities in schools? (Please tick one box on each line) Yes No Not sure Primary schools Secondary schools Special schools

Risk management of EOtC activities

D.

Support for schools
Does the local authority have any of the following procedures place for EOtC? (Please tick all that apply)
Monitoring of planned activities/ visits
Approval of planned activities/ visits
Visiting schools and observing EOtC activities
Monitoring the work of educational visit coordinators (EVCs) in schools
Assessments of the competence and suitability of adults involved in educational visits
Monitoring the training that school staff have received in relation to EOtC
Monitoring the quality of EOtC activities
Evaluating the outcomes of EOtC for pupils
Other (please specify)
What type of support does the local authority offer schools
relation to EOtC? (Please tick all that apply)
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F. Future plans

Q20 To what extent do you think the amount of EOtC provision in schools within the authority will change over the next five years? (Please tick one box on each line)

	(Please tick one box on each line)			·	
		Will increase	Will stay the same	Will decrease	Not sure
	School site activities				
	Off-site day visits				
	Before/after school study support				
	Off-site residential experiences within the UK				
	Off-site residential experiences overseas				
	Non-residential activities in holiday periods				
Q21.	In your view, what changes/ action enable schools in your authority to	•			•

Q22 In schools in your authority, what do you think will be the main challenges to EOtC provision in the future? (Please tick one box on each line)

G.

Q23

(Please tick one box on each line)			
	Major challenge	Minor challenge	Not a challenge
Taking responsibility for pupil safety			
Recording main risks and how to manage them			
Paperwork			
Cost of EOtC			
Lack of appropriate teacher training			
Lack of teacher understanding of the outcomes of EOtC	e 🗖		
Lack of senior management support for EOtC			
Lack of teacher union/ association support			
Lack of suitable EOtC provision			
Lack of teacher support/ motivation			
Lack of potential in subject area			
Restrictions of the National Curriculu	ım 🔲		
Teacher workload			
Lack of time in curriculum			
Other (please specify)	_ 🗆		
Data on EOtC Is data collected from schools in y following types of activities? Plea collected for primary, secondary a all that apply)	se indicate	whether th	is data is
	•	ondary Specia	
Off-site day visits	schools sch	nools schoo	IS
Before/after school study support			
Off-site residential experiences within the UK			
Off-site residential experiences overseas			
Non-residential activities in holiday periods			

Q24	individu whethe	pe of data ual schoo r this data s. (<i>Please</i>)	ls in you is collect	ur local ted for p	auth	ority?	Please i	ndicate	
						Primary	Secondary	Special	
	We do visits	not collect a	any data or	n EOtC/ s	chool	schools	schools	schools	
	Numbe	r of visits und	dertaken						
	Location	n of visits							
	Purpose	e of visits							
	Group s	size of pupils	s involved						
	Year gr	oup/ age of p	pupils involv	ved					
	Pupil: s	taff ratio on v	visit						
	Risk ma	anagement o	of visit						
	Emerge	ency contact	s and proce	dures for	visit				
	Evaluat	ion of the qu	ality of the	visit					
Q25	and hel	on EOtC d centrally tick one bo	at a local				isits aggı	regated	
	Yes		No			Don't knov	v 🗖		
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	to inforr	n support st	rategies for	schools]
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Headteacher Questionnaire Primary Schools

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We would be most grateful for your help in providing information about EOtC in your school. This questionnaire should be filled in by the **Headteacher**, or another senior manager, and should take no more than 20 minutes to complete. Your responses are very important in helping us map EOtC provision and will inform the development of future government policy on out of classroom learning.

Please be assured that your answers will be treated in confidence and reported only in aggregated form. We would be grateful if you could complete and return the questionnaire **within two weeks**, with the questionnaires from teachers, in the pre-paid envelope provided. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Christine Webster on 01753 637383.

Thank you very much for your help with this important piece of research.

A. Provision of EOtC activities

1.	What types of activities have been masschool in the current academic year ((Please tick all that apply)				
	School site activities Off-site day visits Before/after school study support Off-site residentials within the UK Off-site residentials overseas Non-residential activities in holiday periods	1 2 3 3 4 5 5 6 6			
2 a	Within your school, is EOtC a feature (Please tick one box on each line)	of			
		Yes	Not yet, plan to include in future	No, no plans for inclusion	Not applicable
	The school improvement/development plan? Curriculum strategy/development plans? Key Stage strategy/development plan? Health and Safety policies? The Self-Evaluation Form? Other (please specify below)				
2 b	Does the school have an overall poli (Please tick one box only)	cy fo	r EOtC?		
	Yes Not yet, plan to include in future No, no plans for inclusion				

3. Please say how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about EOtC in your school?

(Please tick one box on each line)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
EOtC is an integral part of the learning and development of pupils in this school		2	3	4	5
The benefits of EOtC are widely recognised in this school					
EOtC is part of the school ethos					
The senior management encourage EOtC across the school					
The senior management encourage EOtC for some curricular areas only					
Pressure on the curriculum means that EOtC is very limited					
There are few opportunities for EOtC within the locality of the school					
Teachers in this school make the most of opportunities for EOtC					
The senior management encourage EOtC in some year groups/Key Stages only					
The school ensures that all pupils have equal access to EOtC					
EOtC is a low priority for teachers in this school					
The amount of EOtC provision in this school is about right					
4. What would you say are the main aims (e.	a subi	ect kr	owled	lae sk	dill
development, personal development) of E (Please write below)					

5a. To what extent is the school able to following pupils: (Please tick one box			to EO	tC for th	ne
Pupils:	With great difficulty	With moderate difficulty	No difficulty	Not applicable	We specifically target this
from minority ethnic groups? who are reluctant to learn/disengaged? for whom English is an additional language? with sensory and/or physical needs? with communication and interaction needs? with behavioural, emotional and social difficulties? with cognition and learning needs? who are economically disadvantaged?	?				group
5 _{b.} Please go back and indicate if your s provision at any groups of pupils <i>(Ple</i>	chool s ease tick	pecifica all that	ally tar apply)	gets EO	tC
6. Does the school do any of the following who may need extra support to access					
Provide funding for pupils Adapt EOtC tasks/activities Provide alternative activities Provide funding for extra staff Modify pupil groups Other (please specify below) 1 2 Provide funding for extra staff 4 Modify pupil groups 5 Other (please specify below)					
B. Coordination of EOt	C pr	ovis	ion		
7. Is there a member of staff in the sche Visits Coordinator or who has respo (Please tick one box only)					
Yes, the headteacher Yes, an assistant or deputy head Yes, a department/faculty/Key Stage head Yes, a subject teacher Yes, another member of staff No. responsibility is left to individual teachers	1 2 3 4 5 6				

Please indicate who has th (Please tick all that apply)	e main	respon	sibilit	y for the	follow	ving:	
		Local authority	Head teacher	Educational Visits Coordinator	Class teachers	Other staff	Not applicable/ not in practice
Ensuring that educational visits meet management requirements	risk	1	2	3	4	5	6
Approving/authorising educational vis Assigning staff members to lead or of educational visits		e					
Assessing the competence of leade coordinators involved in educational							
Organising the training/induction of ac involved in educational visits	dults						
Organising the vetting of adults (inclu Criminal Records Bureau checks) inveducational visits	-						
Organising emergency arrangements educational visits	for						
Recording accidents and 'near' accideducational visits	lents on						
Monitoring and reviewing EOtC							
Tracking EOtC across curricular area groups/key stages	s/year						
Tracking the EOtC that each pupil has experienced	5						
	Teachers Towns the column of t			general Support staff		n staf	fed.
	1	2	skills	4	5		
School site activities Off-site day visits					_		
Before/after school study support					_		
Off-site residentials within the UK							
Off-site residentials overseas					_		
Non-residential activities in holiday periods							

C. Support for EOtC provision

10. Please indicate what kind of support is availabed organising and planning EOtC in your school (Please tick all that apply)	ole to	staff	involve	ed in
Non-contact time to plan and organise EOtC Teaching cover to allow staff to leave the school premises for E Health and safety training for EOtC activities Risk management for EOtC activities Training on the learning outcomes of EOtC Funding to buy resources for EOtC Additional staffing for EOtC activities Time/funding to carry out exploratory visits for EOtC	from	the L	.ocal	5 5
Authority in relation to EOtC? (Please tick one	Useful	Not	Not available	Would like to receive
Promotion of the benefits of EOtC Promotion of the range of EOtC opportunities on offer in the authority Support with curriculum development in relation to EOtC Support with teaching and learning in relation to EOtC Support/advice on health and safety Support/advice on risk management Ensuring that training in relation to EOtC is available for school staff Sharing good practice about EOtC provision across schools within the Local Authority Providing guidance on supervision and staff pupil ratios Provision of outdoor learning facilities (e.g. field study, adventure centres) Other (please specify below)				this

further support from the Local Authority in any of these areas (Please tick all that apply)

12. Are the school's risk management procedures for EOtC: (Please tick all that apply)
provided by the Local Authority? provided by the Local Authority and modified by the school? provided by another external organisation? the school's own strategies?
13. To what extent is the following information about EOtC collected in the school? (Please tick all that apply)
Number of visits undertaken by classes Number of out-of-hours visits undertaken by staff Health and safety incidents The amount of planning needed to run the activity For the school as a Whole faculty level collected Number of visits undertaken by classes Number of out-of-hours visits undertaken by staff Health and safety incidents The amount of planning needed to run the activity
14. Has the school worked in collaboration with any other organisations to provide EOtC activities in the current academic year (i.e. since September 2005)? (Please tick all that apply)
Yes, with primary schools Yes, with secondary schools Yes, with special schools Yes, with form/FE colleges Yes, with higher education institutions Yes, with other organisations No
D. Trends in EOtC provision
15. To what extent has the amount of EOtC activity in your school changed in the last five years? (Please tick one box on each line)
Increased No Decreased Not Not change sure applicable
School site activities Off-site day visits Before/after school study support Off-site residentials within the UK Off-site residentials overseas Non-residential activities in holiday periods

16. If the amount of EOtC provision in your school has increased or decreased in the last five years, what do you think are the main reasons for such changes? (Please tick all that apply) Reason for increase Reason for decrease Recording main risks and how to manage them Availability of suitable EOtC opportunities 2 Availability of staff to conduct EOtC activities 3 3 Teacher awareness of outcomes of EOtC Level of teacher training in EOtC 5 5 Level of senior management support 6 6 Level of parental support Level of teacher union/association support 8 Taking responsibility for pupil safety 9 9 10 Priority in the curriculum 10 11 Travel costs 11 12 12 Other costs associated with EOtC 13 13 Funding for EOtC provision 14 14 Focus on EOtC at a national level 15 15 Focus on EOtC at a local level Other (please specify **below** and tick the appropriate box) E. Funding of EOtC provision To what extent is the school able to meet the costs of the following aspects of EOtC provision? (Please tick one box on each line) Always Frequently Sometimes Rarely Arranging/funding teaching cover Paying for special resources/equipment Training for teacher/adults involved Funding EOtC activities for young people eligible for Free School Meals

Actional initiatives (i.e. Specialist Schools funding, Creative Partnerships) Fundraising events held in school The Local Authority Commercial companies Charities Parents Other (please specify below) F. Future plans 9. Do you plan to increase or decrease the amount of EOtC provision in your school over the next academic year (2006/7)? (Please tick one box on each line) Plan to lincrease plan to increase or decrease the amount of EOtC provision in your school over the next academic year (2006/7)? (Please tick one box on each line) School site activities Off-site day visits Sefore/after school study support Off-site residentials within the UK Off-site residentials overseas John-residential activities in holiday periods Off-what changes/actions do you think would help or enable your	Actional initiatives (i.e. Specialist Schools funding, Creative Partnerships) Fundraising events held in school The Local Authority Commercial companies Charities Parents Other (please specify below) F. Future plans 9. Do you plan to increase or decrease the amount of EOtC provision in your school over the next academic year (2006/7)? (Please tick one box on each line) Plan to increase or decrease the amount of EOtC provision in your school over the next academic year (2006/7)? (Please tick one box on each line) School site activities Off-site day visits Sefore/after school study support Off-site residentials within the UK Off-site residentials overseas Jon-residential activities in holiday periods		a	All activities	Most activities	Some activities	Few activities	No activities
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21. What do you think will be the main challenges to including EOtC provision in your school in the future? (Please tick one box on each line)

	Major challenge	Minor challenge	Not a challenge
Taking responsibility for pupil safety			
Recording main risks and how to deal with them			
Paperwork			
Cost of EOtC			
Lack of appropriate teacher training			
Lack of teacher understanding of the outcomes of EOtC			
Lack of senior management support for EOtC			
Lack of teacher union/association support			
Lack of suitable EOtC provision available			
Lack of teacher support/motivation			
Restrictions of National Curriculum			
Teacher workload			
Lack of time in curriculum			
Other (please specify below)			

22. What do you think are the main benefits of providing EOtC in your school? (Please tick all that apply)

EOtC has a positive impact on		
The school ethos	1	
Teachers' skills/subject knowledge	2	
Teacher motivation	3	
Pupils' subject knowledge and understanding	4	
Pupils' attitudes/values/self-perceptions	5	
Pupils' communication/social skills	6	
Pupils' physical fitness/skills	7	
Pupils' behaviour/motivation levels	8	
Broadening pupils' experiences	9	
Providing opportunities for pupils with different learning styles	10	
Other (please specify below)	11	
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Thank you very much for helping with this research

Please return this questionnaire to NFER in the envelope provided.



Education Outside the Classroom

Primary Questionnaire Key Stage 1 Coordinator

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- Off-site residential experiences overseas (e.g. cultural and language exchanges, expeditions)
- Non-residential activities that take place during school holiday periods (e.g. city farm summer schools, Summer Reading Challenge, Do It for Real activities)

We would be most grateful for your help in providing information about EOtC in your Key Stage. This questionnaire should be filled in by the **Key Stage 1 Coordinator**, and should take no more than 15 minutes to complete. Your responses are very important in helping us map EOtC provision and will inform the development of future government policy on out of classroom learning.

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Thank you very much for your help with this important piece of research.

A. Provision of EOtC activities

1. Please estimate the percentage been offered EOtC activities in the September 2005). (Please tick of	he current ac		
0 1 - 25% 26 - 50% 3 51 - 75% 4 76 - 100%			
2. In Key Stage 1, approximately he undertaken in the current acade (Please tick one box on each line)	mic year (i.e.		
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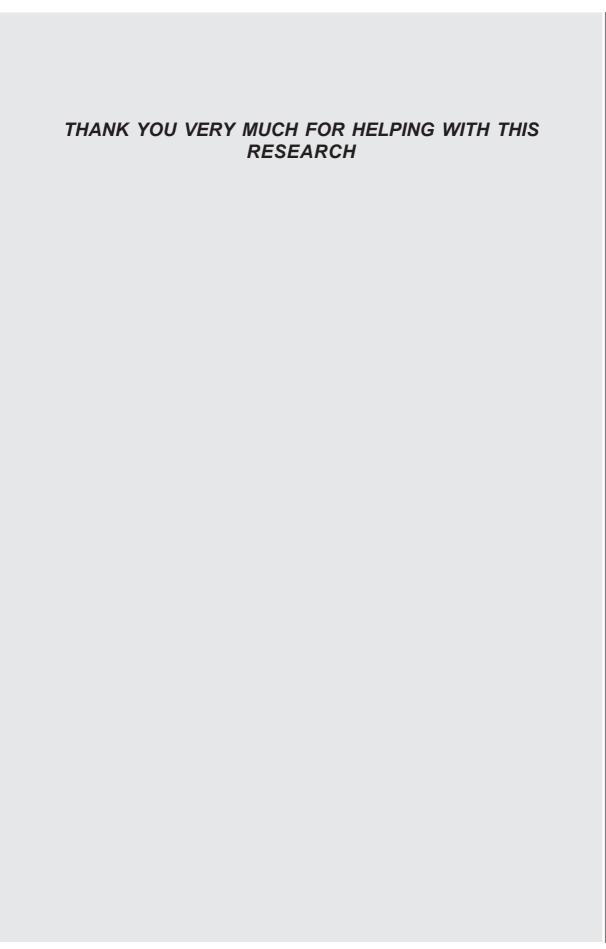
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laces of cultural interest (e.g. theatres)					
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seneral countryside (e.g. country parks, national arks, moors, mountains)					
outdoor pursuits/adventure centres					
other					
What would you say are the main ain development, personal development (Please write below)	ms (e.g. s	subject C in Ke	knowle y Stage	dge, ski	ill

5. In Key Stage 1, which unit partly delivered through E year? (e.g. investigating n days) (Please write below)	OtC active naterials,	vities in	the curr	ent acad	demic
C. Support for E	OtC _I	provi	ision		
6. How confident do you fee (Please tick one box on each		arrying	out the	followin	g activities?
Preparing pupils for EOtC Planning EOtC activities Running EOtC activities Following up EOtC activities in class Gauging the quality of EOtC activities Evaluating the impact of EOtC activities Carrying out risk management	es vities on pup		what)	Not very	Not at all
7. How satisfied have you be the following in relation to					
Local Authority Headteacher Senior managers Teaching assistants School governors Other teachers in the school Educational Visits Coordinator External providers Teacher unions/associations Parents	Very Sc	omewhat 2	Not very 3 —————————————————————————————————	Not at all	Not applicable 5 Output Out

8. Have you received training in the fo initial training or at other points in y	ollowing ar your career	nd, if so ? (Ple	, was this ase tick a	during Il that a	g ppply)
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9. Do you think there have been any provision in Key Stage 1 over the	changes	in the	extent of	EOtC	
(Please tick one box on each line)	Increased	No change	Decreased 3	Not sure	Not applicable
On school site activities Off-site day visits Before/after school study support Off-site residentials within the UK Off-site residential experiences overseas Non-residential activities in holiday periods					

decreased in the last five years, what do you think are the main reasons for such changes? (Please tick all that apply) Reason for increase Reason for decrease Recording main risk and how to manage them Availability of suitable EOtC opportunities Availability of staff to conduct EOtC activities 3 Teacher awareness of outcomes of EOtC 4 Level of teacher training in EOtC 5 Level of senior management support 6 Level of parental support 7 Level of teacher union/association support 8 9 9 Taking responsibility for pupil safety Priority in the curriculum 10 10 Travel costs 11 11 12 12 Other costs associated with EOtC 13 13 Funding for EOtC provision 14 14 Focus on EOtC at a national level 15 Focus on EOtC at a local level 15 Other (please specify below and tick the appropriate box) 16 E. Future plans Do you plan to increase or decrease the amount of EOtC provision in Key Stage 1 over the next academic year (2006/7)? (Please tick one box on each line) Plan to Plan to Plan to Not Not increase keep the decrease sure applicable same School site activities Off-site day visits Before/after school study support Off-site residentials within the UK Off-site residential experiences overseas Non-residential activities in holiday periods

10 If the amount of EOtC provision in Key Stage 1 has increased or





Education Outside the Classroom

Subject Head QuestionnaireHead of Business Studies

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We would be most grateful for your help in providing information about EOtC in your Department. This questionnaire should be filled in by the **Head of the Business Studies Department**, and should take no more than 15 minutes to complete. Your responses are very important in helping us map EOtC provision and will inform the development of future government policy on out of classroom learning.

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A. Provision of EOtC activities

have been offered EOtC activit (i.e. since September 2005). (F		demic year
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2. In your subject area, approximate been undertaken in the curren 2005). Please answer separate (Please tick one box on each line)	t academic year (i.e. s ely for Key Stage 3 an	ince September
	Key Stage 3	Key Stage 4
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School site activities		
School site activities		
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Off-site day visits		
Off-site day visits Before/after school study support		
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3. If you have undertaken any off-site day or residential visits within the UK, in the current academic year, approximately how many visits were undertaken to the following venues? Please answer separately for Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4. (Please tick one box on each line for KS3 and KS4) Kev Stage 4 Key Stage 3

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	0 1-3 4-6 7-9 more	0 1-3 4-6 7-9 more
Urban built environments		
Urban nature (e.g. allotments, playgrounds, scrubland, derelict sites)		
Places of cultural interest (e.g. theatres)		
Places of historical/local interest (e.g. museums)		
Community centres/places of worship		
City farms		
Rural farms		
Field Studies Centres		
Environmental centres		
National nature reserves/Sites of Special Scientific Interest		
Forests/woodlands		
Water bodies (e.g. rivers, lakes)		
General countryside (e.g. country parks, national parks, moors, mountains)		
Outdoor pursuits/adventure centres		
Other		

B. EOtC in the curriculum

4 What would you say are the main aims (e.g. subject knowledge, skill development, personal development) of EOtC in your subject area? (Please write below)

Key Stage 3		
Key Stage 4		

5. In your subject area, which units of work or topics have been primarily or partly delivered through EOtC activities in the current academic year? (e.g. plants for food, what's in a building, the restless earth, soundscapes, industrial changes, rites of passage) (Please write below)					
Key Stage 3					
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Key Stage 4					
C Support for EO	+C =	rovic	ion		
C. Support for EO	ic p	JI OVIS	1011		
6. How confident do you feel a		irrying ou	ıt the fol	lowing a	ctivities?
(Please tick one box on each	line)				
Preparing pupils for EOtC		Very	Some wh	at Not very	Not at all
Planning EOtC activities					
Running EOtC activities					
Following up EOtC activities in class	S				
Gauging the quality of EOtC activitie	S				
Evaluating the impact of EOtC activi	ities on p	upils 🗀			
Carrying out risk management					
7. How satisfied have you been the following in relation to E	n with t	he suppo	ort you h	ave rece	eived from
the following in relation to E	Very	Somewhat		Not at all	Not
	1	2	3	4	applicable 5
Local Authority					
Headteacher					
Senior managers					
Teaching assistants					
School governors					
Other teachers in the school Educational Visits Coordinator					
External providers Teacher unions/associations					

Initial teacher training	Subsequent training Output O	Not received training
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	sion ages in the elast five year	training training The state of the extent of EO last five years? No No No assed change Decreased su

10. If the amount of EOtC provision in your school has increased or decreased in the last five years, what do you think are the main reasons for such changes? (Please tick all that apply)

	Reason for increase	Reason for decrease
Recording main risks and how to manage them	1	1
Availability of suitable EOtC opportunities	2	2
Availability of staff to conduct EOtC activities	3	3
Teacher awareness of outcomes of EOtC	4	4
Level of teacher training in EOtC	5	5
Level of senior management support	6	6
Level of parental support	7	7
Level of teacher union/association support	8	8
Taking responsibility for pupil safety	9	9
Priority in the curriculum	10	10
Travel costs	11	11
Other costs associated with EOtC	12	12
Funding for EOtC provision	13	13
Focus on EOtC at a national level	14	14
Focus on EOtC at a local level	15	15
Other (please specify below and tick the		
appropriate box)	16	16
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E. Future plans

Do you plan to increase or decrease the amount of EOtC provision in your subject area over the next academic year (2006/7)? (Please tick one box on each line) Plan to Plan to keep Not Not Plan to the same applicable increase decrease sure School site activities Off-site day visits Before/after school study support Off-site residentials within the UK Off-site residential experiences overseas Non-residential activities in holiday periods 2 What do you think will be the main challenges to including EOtC provision in your subject in the future? (Please tick one box on each line) Major Minor Not a challenge challenge challenge Taking responsibility for pupil safety Recording main risks and how to manage them Paperwork Cost of EOtC Lack of appropriate teacher training Lack of teacher understanding of the outcomes of EOtC Lack of senior management support for EOtC Lack of teacher union/association support Lack of suitable EOtC provision Lack of teacher support/motivation Lack of potential in subject area Restrictions of National Curriculum Teacher workload Lack of time in curriculum Other (please specify **below**)

	es/actions do you think would help or encourage you to EOtC activities to pupils in your subject/school?
Follow up	To provide further context to this survey, we would like to conduct short
(Follow up	telephone interviews with a sample of respondents who have a range of
	views on, and experiences of, EOtC. If you are willing to be contacted again by the NFER in July 2006, please enter your details below:
Name:	again by the Ni Lix in July 2000, please enter your details below.
School:	
SCHOOL.	
TELEPHONE No:	GOOD TIME OF DAY
	TO BE CONTACTED:
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