



RIVER VALLEY PROSPECTUS

ADO EDUCATION

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A Not-For-Profit Community Interest Company

'A Truly Unique Learning Experience'



GREAT CHOICES FOR FURTHER EDUCATION

We Are River Valley

We firmly believe in the effectiveness of outdoor education. Our further education centre is based within a 6.5 acre site in South-East London consisting of woodlands, a stream, therapy gardens, open space, bushcraft/forest school areas, adventure sport zones, equine facilities and animal enclosures providing opportunities for an engaging and enriching curriculum with a sense of adventure.

Our more traditional learning spaces are timber built classrooms including an ICT room with the latest technology.

We truly provide a unique learning experience.

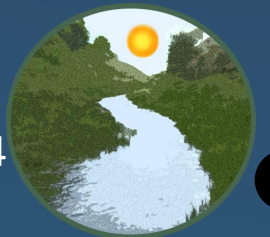


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What We Do

River Valley is a unique education centre providing a holistic approach to create flexible learner centred programmes for students between key stage 4 and Post-16 ages. This brings together our expertise in both education and therapeutic services. We have some fantastic opportunities for students who have additional learning needs with specialist support for those with associated SEMH. We specialize in an outdoor education curriculum which can incorporate the core skills of literacy, language, numeracy and ICT skills. Our students enjoy their own distinctive pathways, covering all areas of needs and support they may require.

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Specialist Land Studies

Our targeted specialist subjects complement core subjects providing vocational qualifications for students.



**EQUINE
STUDIES**



**ANIMAL CARE &
MANAGEMENT
STUDIES**



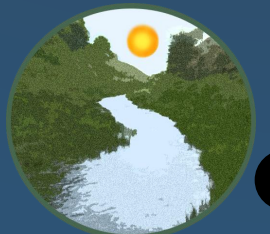
**LAND BASED
STUDIES**

Curriculum & Qualifications

Each of our career pathways aim to teach essential life, vocational, work and communication skills. Each course on offer is based on a daily educational programme, that prepares young people with social, emotional, mental health needs and learning disabilities to live as independently as possible and participate in their local community. We provide the opportunity to achieve a wide variety of accredited qualifications, whilst developing, independent living skills, self-confidence, resilience and 'skills for life'.

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Adventure Sport and More Choices

Further options for studies in different business sectors, improving personal development and transitions to adulthood.



**SPORT &
LEISURE**



**YOUTH WORK,
HEALTH &
SOCIAL CARE**

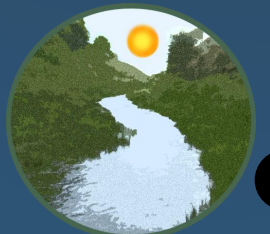


BUSINESS

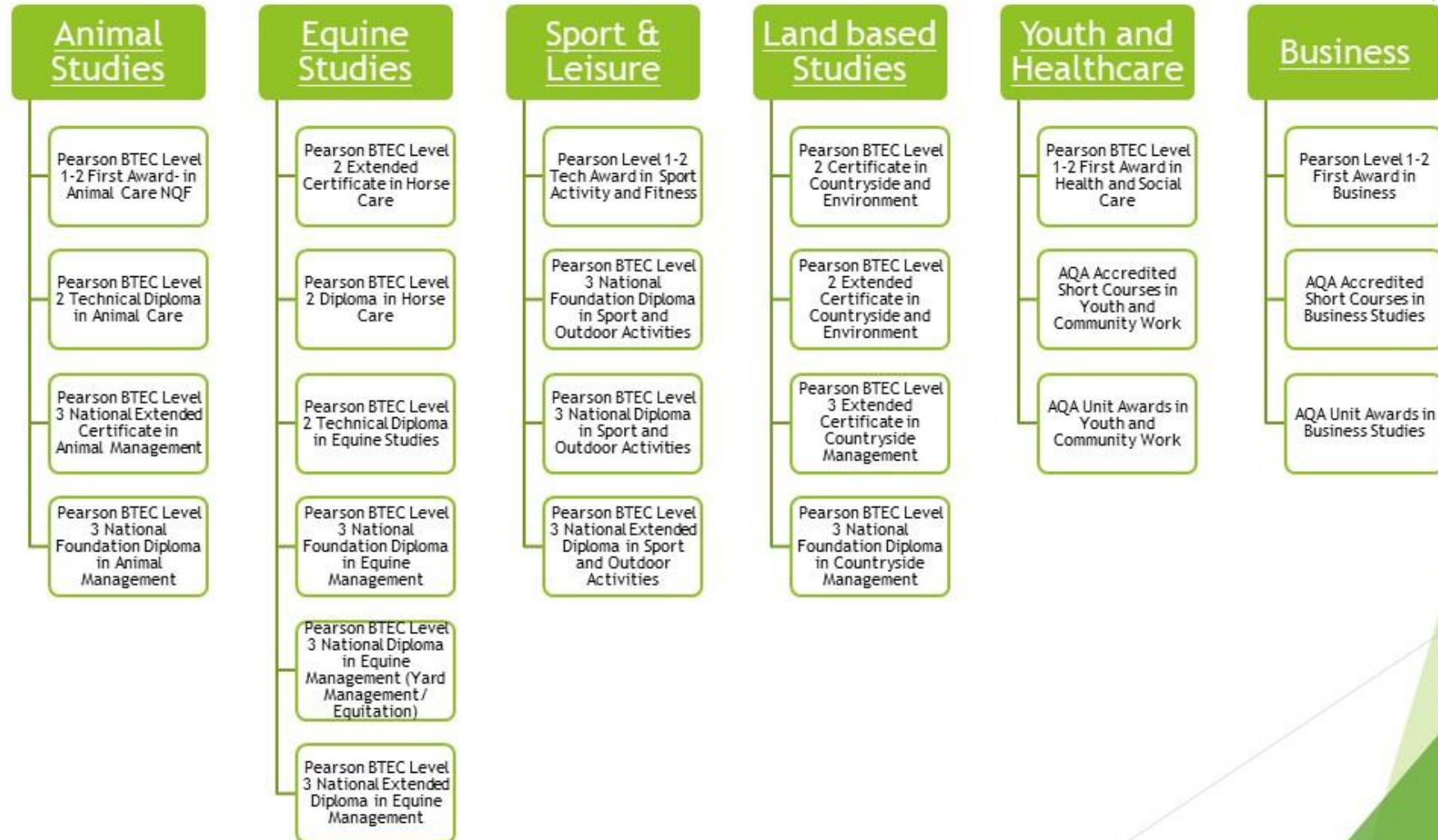
Career Pathways

We provide access to a range of high quality targeted career pathways with a well balanced curriculum designed to meet varying support and needs.

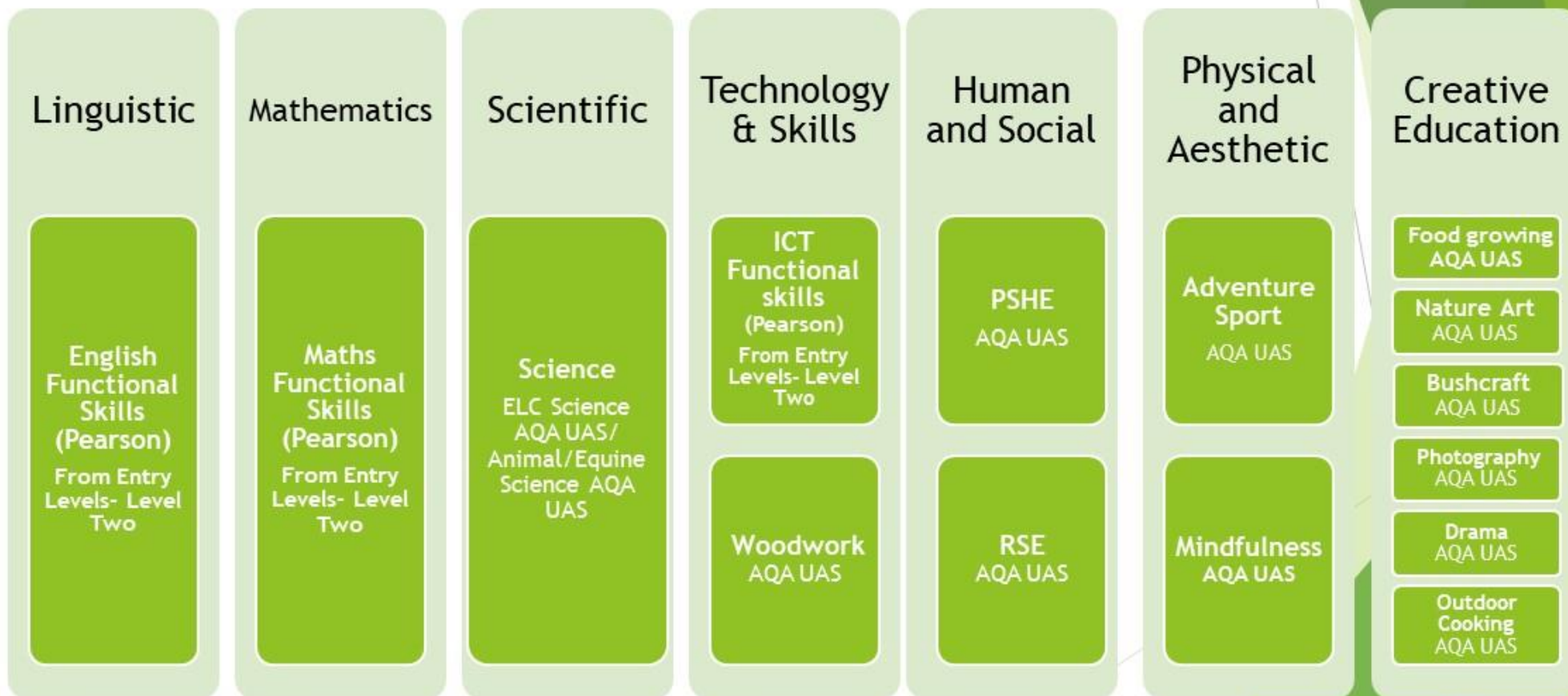
We have teaching staff and assistants specialising in these disciplines alongside student's core subjects, English, Mathematics, Science and ICT.



Career Pathways at ADO River Valley



Core Pathways at ADO River Valley



EQUINE STUDIES

OUR HORSE-BASED CURRICULUM PROVIDES MULTIPLE QUALIFICATIONS THAT ARE ACCESSIBLE FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE A CAREER INTEREST IN THE EQUINE INDUSTRY. OUR COURSES PROVIDE VOCATIONAL LEARNING, WITH HORSES AT THE HEART OF TEACHING AND LEARNING. MANY OF OUR STUDENTS HAVE LOW STAMINA AND RESILIENCE, BUT AS THEY ENGAGE IN CARING FOR THE HORSES, THIS BEGINS TO BUILD ON THEIR OWN SELF-CONFIDENCE, INDEPENDENT & PERSONAL CARE SKILLS. WE AIM TO CHANGE THE FOCUS FROM DISABILITY TO ABILITY WITH THE HORSES PRESENT TO HELP THE STUDENTS REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. THIS HELPS THOSE WHO MAY HAVE EXPERIENCED SOCIAL ISOLATION, BY COMING TOGETHER ENGAGING IN SMALL PEER GROUP WORK WITH THOSE WHO SHARE THE SAME INTERESTS, HELPING TO PROMOTE SELF-AWARENESS & RECOGNITION FOR OTHERS.

LEARNING WITH OUR HORSES INVOLVES CONSISTENT EXERCISE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR WHICH HELPS PROMOTE A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT, IMPROVED PHYSICAL FITNESS, POSITIVE SELF-IMAGE AND CLEARER MORE LOGICAL THINKING.

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BENEFITS OF EQUINE & ANIMAL STUDIES

CONTACT WITH THE WARMTH AND WISDOM OF OUR HORSES OR WORKING WITH OUR OTHER ANIMALS THROUGH COURSES AND QUALIFICATIONS HELP TO AID RELAXATION FOR STUDENTS WHO MAY REQUIRE THERAPEUTIC AIDS IN LESSONS.

WE BELIEVE THAT ONCE STUDENTS EXPAND ON THEIR ABILITY THEY THEN BEGIN TO RESPOND AND START TAKING FURTHER RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEMSELVES. PREVIOUSLY IF SELF CARE HAS FELT IMPOSSIBLE OR THEY HAVE LOST THE POINT OF TRYING, WE SEE THAT THE FOCUS OF CARING FOR A HORSE OR ANIMALS ACCORDING TO THEIR CHOSEN SUBJECT PATHWAY INTEREST CAN PROVIDE THE INCENTIVE AND MOTIVATION FOR LEARNING AND SELF CARE.

PREPARING HEATHY AND NUTRITIOUS MEALS FOR THE HORSES OR ANIMALS CAN RESULT IN A SENSE OF PURPOSE AND WILL TO CARE FOR THEMSELVES.



ANIMAL SCIENCE

OUR ANIMAL-BASED CURRICULUM IS SUITED FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE A PASSION FOR ANIMALS AND THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED TO SEEK A CAREER WORKING WITH ANIMALS. THROUGH A COMBINATION OF WRITTEN AND PRACTICAL STUDIES, OUR ANIMAL COURSES SUPPORT STUDENTS WITH THE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND RESILIENCE REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE THIS. THROUGHOUT OUR VAST ANIMAL-BASED CURRICULUM, STUDENTS LEARNING IS SCAFFOLDED BY THE *'FIVE FREEDOMS OF ANIMAL WELFARE'*

OUR AIM IS FOR STUDENTS TO LEARN TO ACTIVELY PROMOTE FREEDOM FROM HUNGER AND THIRST, DISCOMFORT, PAIN, FEAR AND GIVING THE ANIMALS THE FREEDOM TO EXPRESS NORMAL BEHAVIOUR. THROUGH STUDENTS CARING FOR OUR ANIMALS, THEY BEGIN TO SEE HOW THIS CAN BENEFIT THEIR OWN INDEPENDENCE SKILLS IN THE SAME VEIN. CARING FOR ANIMALS CAN SUPPORT STUDENTS TO UNDERSTAND WHY WE SHOULD AND NEED TO CARE FOR OURSELVES AND EACH OTHER IN SOCIETY AND ACCEPT OUR DIFFERENCES. HAVING A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY ALLOWS OUR STUDENTS TO FEEL A SENSE OF PURPOSE. KNOWING THAT THE ANIMALS NEED THEIR CARE, CAN BE THE INCENTIVE TO FACE THE NEXT DAY WITH PURPOSE AND PROVIDES DAILY OPPORTUNITY FOR ACHIEVEMENT AND IMPROVE THEIR WELL-BEING.



ENVIRONMENT STUDIES

WE STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT LEARNING THROUGH RISK RAISES EXPECTATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENT. RISK-TAKING EMPOWERS STUDENTS, INCREASES SELF-ESTEEM, ENGAGEMENT & BUILDS RESILIENCE TO FAILURE AND PRACTICE. ALLOWING STUDENTS TO LEARN THROUGH RISK-TAKING HELPS THEM GROW BOTH ACADEMICALLY AND PERSONALLY. OUR LAND-BASED CURRICULUM PROVIDES STUDENTS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN IN AN ALTERNATIVE VOCATIONAL SETTING AND SEE THAT THERE ARE A VARIETY OF OUTDOOR ACCESSIBLE CAREER OPTIONS.

INCREASED SELF-ESTEEM AND PURPOSE CAN STEM FROM MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING BIODIVERSITY, SUPPORTING THE LAND AND ITS ANIMALS, GROWTH OF PLANTS & FOOD GROWING, EXPERIENCING OUTDOOR COOKING AND TAKING THAT FOOD TO THE TABLE. BEING IN NATURE AND GREEN SPACES IS PROVEN TO BENEFIT MENTAL AND PHYSICAL WELL-BEING AND OUR APPROACH TO LEARNING ENABLES THIS ECO-THERAPY TO BE PART OF THEIR DAILY EDUCATION PROGRAM. LEARNING AND BEING MINDFUL IN NATURE CAN BENEFIT THE STUDENTS' WELLBEING AND ALSO TEACHES THEM SKILLS FOR LIFE.



SPORT & LEISURE

OUR SPORT AND LEISURE COURSES PROVIDE TRANSFERABLE SKILLS SUCH AS TEAMWORK, CREATIVITY, MULTI-TASKING, ALL WHILST PROMOTING HEALTH AND WELLBEING.

STUDENTS WHO ARE STUDYING OUR SPORT AND LEISURE COURSES ARE SUPPORTED TO MAINTAIN POSITIVE MENTAL HEALTH AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING.

THE COURSES ARE SUITED TO STUDENTS WHO HAVE A SKILL, INTEREST OR DESIRE TO DEVELOP SPORT THROUGHOUT THEIR LIVES, AND PERHAPS EVEN AS A CAREER. THE COURSES PROVIDE A BALANCE OF THEORY-BASED LEARNING, WITH DIRECT LINKS TO ANATOMY, PHYSIOLOGY AND REGULAR PHYSICAL SESSIONS SUPPORTING MENTAL AND PHYSICAL WELL-BEING. STUDENTS CAN ACCESS PRACTICAL VOCATIONAL LEARNING AND DECISION MAKING TO USE GOOD JUDGMENT, ALL WHILST RELEASING ENDORPHINS AND HEALTHY POSITIVE HORMONES INTO THE BODY.



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BUSINESS

BUSINESS STUDIES IS A SUBJECT THAT CAN BE IMPERATIVE FOR STUDENTS THAT WOULD LIKE TO DEVELOP THEIR OWN ASSOCIATED LAND OR SPORT BUSINESS, FOR EXAMPLE AND WORK FLEXIBLY FOR THEMSELVES WITHOUT THE PRESSURES OF STRIVING TO FIT IN TO STRUCTURED EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS.

BUSINESS STUDIES OPENS DOORS FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE THEIR OWN INTERESTS THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO EXPLORE AS A POTENTIAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY OR IDEA.

THESE OPPORTUNITIES MAY INCLUDE FOR EXAMPLE, A PERSONAL FITNESS TRAINER, TREE SURGEON, ANIMAL CARE CONSULTANT OR A DOG GROOMER, UTILISING OUR INTERNAL TEACHING SKILLSET AND THE SUBJECT STUDIES WE SPECIALISE IN.

BUSINESS STUDIES ENABLES STUDENTS TO LEARN AND UNDERSTAND THE BACKGROUND FUNDAMENTALS TO RUNNING A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS, INCLUDING FINANCIALS, COLLABORATION, PLANNING AND MARKETING.



YOUTH & HEALTHCARE

STUDYING HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE OR YOUTH WORK ENABLES STUDENTS TO LEARN TO HELP OTHERS PHYSICAL AND SOCIOLOGICAL WELL-BEING.

AS SOME OF OUR STUDENTS MAY HAVE EXPERIENCED ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES (ACE'S) THEY MAY FEEL A SENSE OF PURPOSE TO GIVE BACK TO SOCIETY AND BE INVOLVED TO IMPROVE OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE'S LIVES WITH APPROPRIATE EMPATHY.

YOUTH WORK STUDIES CAN BE A REWARDING AND IMPORTANT CAREER CHOICE TO WORK TO MAKING A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF YOUNG PEOPLE.

THIS COURSE CAN ALSO PROVIDE A STRONG ASSOCIATED QUALIFICATION TO A SPORT AND LEISURE COURSE AS YOUTH WORK IS ABOUT SUPPORTING THE ACTIVE AND SOCIAL ASPECTS OF A YOUNG PERSON'S LIFE.



FURTHER INFORMATION

NUMERACY & LITERACY

THESE KEY LIFE SKILLS ARE EMBEDDED THROUGHOUT OUR CURRICULUM AND ARE NOT ONLY DELIVERED IN ENGLISH AND MATHEMATIC LESSONS. FROM BUDGETING AND PURCHASING STOCK FOR THE VARIOUS BTEC COURSES, CALCULATING ANIMAL/EQUINE FEEDS, SUPPLEMENTS AND MEDICINES TO WRITING EMAILS/ MAKING CALLS RELATING TO ORDERS DURING LESSONS.

PATHWAYS ARE INDIVIDUAL TO THE STUDENT SO THEY MAY FOCUS ON LEARNING FUNCTIONAL SKILLS FOR EVERYDAY LIVING, OR MAY WORK TOWARDS AN ACCREDITED PEARSON FUNCTIONAL SKILLS QUALIFICATION IN MATHEMATICS OR ENGLISH FROM ENTRY LEVEL 1 TO LEVEL 2 AS PART OF A SMALL GROUP.

HOW CAN I ATTEND?

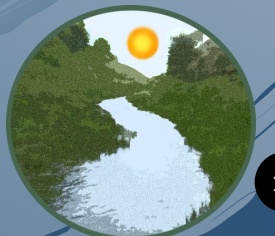
IF YOU DECIDE YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURSUE US AS A 14-19 FURTHER EDUCATION SETTING, PLEASE SPEAK WITH YOUR RELEVANT LOCAL AUTHORITY CASE OFFICER TO REQUEST A REFERRAL OR CONSULTATION.

WE WILL THEN WORK WITH YOUR LOCAL AUTHORITY TO ORGANISE THE NEXT STEPS.

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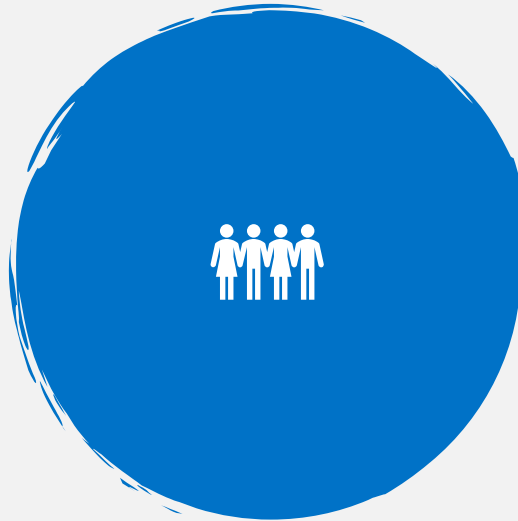
Our Team

River Valley have a strong experienced team, working to engage young people in education whilst providing coping skills for life and their future.



Office

Our office is ready to take your call and is supported by an experienced business management team



Education Team

Our Head of Education leads a team of high quality outdoor educators and therapeutic staff

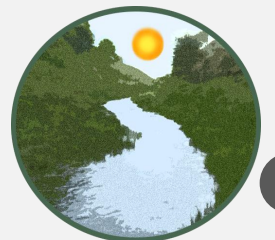


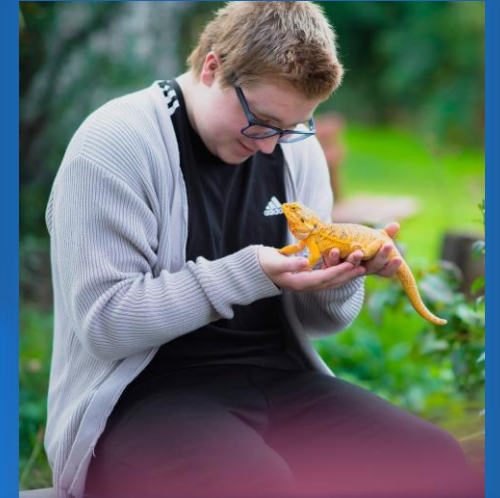
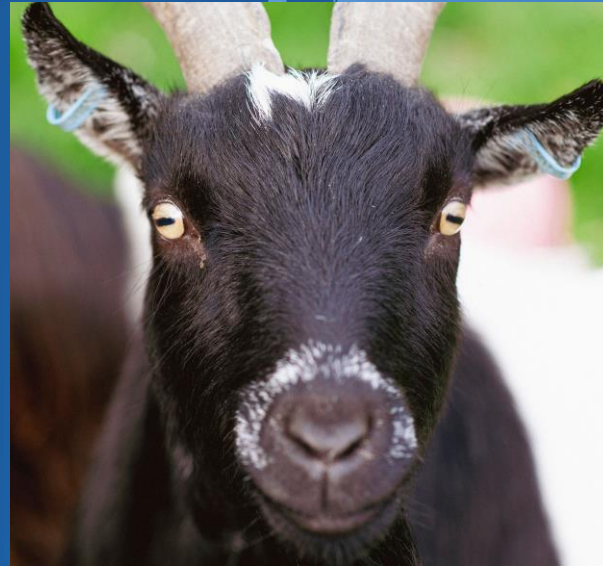
Educators

Our educators have wide experience in teaching vocational study, AQA Unit Awards, and BTEC qualifications

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RIVER VALLEY MEETS YOUR NEEDS

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- Specialist Education
- Holistic Approach
- Learner Centred
- Specialist Staff
- Unique Delivery

Indoor and Outdoor Education - Flexible
Programmes - Therapeutic Interventions -
Pearson Centre (BTEC) JCQ Approved – AQA Unit
Awards Scheme - Jack Petchey Achievement
Awards – Core Subjects



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