

Risk Assessment Hall Field Study Centre

The Power of Plants

Location

Holt Hall Estate

Risks

The following risks are applicable to anyone taking part in this activity.

- Problems due to inadequate supervision.
- Allergic reaction to bites, stings or nuts.
- Poisoning by plants.
- Injuries from improper use of equipment.
- Breathing problems and asthma triggered by breathing in pollen.
- Injuries as a result of walking through woodland.

Control Measures

- Ensure appropriate staff:student ratio
- Centre staff should check the nominal roll for any allergies and appropriate action taken
- Some plants on the estate are poisonous. Young people may not eat any part of any plant from the estate and must not put their fingers in their mouths at any time during this lesson.
- Young people may not eat anything at any time during this lesson.
- All young people must wash their hands with soap at the end of this lesson.
- Young people should be shown how to use scissors and knives safely
- Staff must ensure that asthma inhalers are accessible to those who may need them.
- Care must be taken when moving through woodland. Young people may not climb trees.

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