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The Children's University™

Woodland Academy Trust



What is the Children's University™?

Children's University™ can
support schools to:

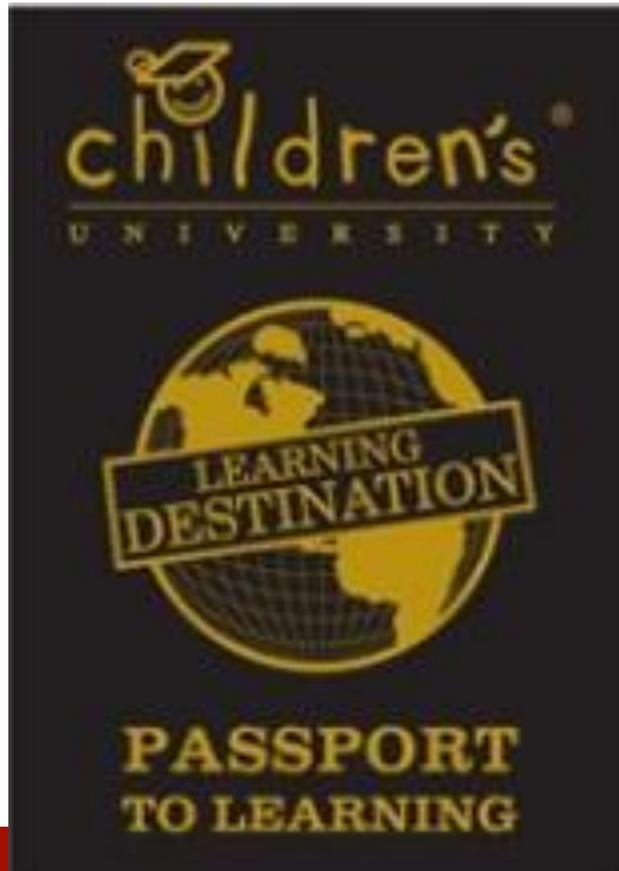
- The Children's University believes that children can and do learn anywhere, when doing all sorts of activities, and that **children learn best when they decide what they want to learn**, when and where, and most importantly, have **FUN** whilst learning.
- The Children's University works to provide children aged 5-14 years with **exciting experiences** and **innovative learning** activities **outside of the normal school day**.
- The whole idea behind the Children's University is to **encourage children** to develop **new interests** and join in new activities, and then **celebrate** and **reward** their **achievements**.
- Every activity and venue offered through the Children's University has been checked and **validated** to make sure it provides the **highest quality learning experience**.



Your child's 'Passport to Learning'



Each child in **Years 3 to 6** will have their own '**Passport to Learning**'. The cost of which has been covered by the school. Please encourage your child to look after it as it will stay with them throughout KS2 and hopefully until they are 14 years old.



- Within the passport, children **collect activity stamps** each time an event or venue is attended, or when a learning activity is undertaken.
- Learning doesn't just take place in the classroom. Children learn new things in all sorts of places: at museums, on nature walks, by playing sports and music, and much more besides.
- Issued with a **Passport to Learning**, children can travel around London and the UK with their Passport to Learning, collecting stamps in **recognition of their learning** as they go. After all - travel is what a Passport is for!

What does your child need to do to earn a stamp?

Learning Destinations

- There are a number of local venues that have been accredited to issue stamps.
- Pupils complete a simple task or activity whilst at the venue to earn a stamp for their passport.
- Children can collect as many as possible with the aim for **all** pupils to achieve 30 hours by the end of the academic year.

Bronze = 30 hours of CU activities

Silver = 35 hours with 5 hours of learning something new

Gold = 40 hours with 10 hours of learning something new

- School trips to places where the accreditation is held will also count.



Where can I earn a stamp?



Learning Destinations

- We are working to produce a comprehensive list of accredited venues for parents to take their children to earn further stamps.
- Examples of local accredited sites are included within the list. Many have free admission.
- Activities can include sports, arts and craft, drama, historical sites, country walks and many more. Even visiting the local library could earn you a stamp.
- Whilst the school will be able to collect stamps through school trips, etc, we are expecting the majority of stamps to be achieved outside of school and it will be your child's responsibility to inform their class teacher when a stamp has been achieved.



You can download the Children's University e-Passport app which contains a map of Learning Destinations in the area.

Local venues

- Hall Place and Gardens*
- Pets at Home (Crayford)*
- Various libraries in the local area*
- Jeskyns Community Woodland*
- Shorne Woods Country Park*
- Stagecoach Theatre Arts
- Diggerland
- Digital Dens (Gravesend)
- Eltham Palace and Gardens
- Lullingstone Country Park
- Eagle Heights Wildlife Foundation
- Bromley Churchill Theatre
- British Music Experience
- Royal Docks Activity Centre
- Shakespeare's Theatre
- Imperial War Museum
- SEA LIFE London
- Buckmore Park Karting Circuit

* Free admission

and many more



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Any questions?

Thank you for listening

The Children's University website has a wealth of information, as well as a FAQ section for parents and carers.

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