



**Slough
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Slough Education Centre is located at our Slough sewage treatment works. It's one of five education centres which offer opportunities for schools and community groups to see how our business operates.

Our first education centres were opened nearly six years ago, aiming to offer a more immersive experience for our younger customers. We now have five education centres at our operational sites including an angling academy at our Walthamstow reservoir complex, enabling schools to take part in site tours and interactive workshops.

Linking with the curriculum.

Many subjects on the national curriculum (such as water distribution, solids, liquids and gases, and renewable energy) are key areas where we can enhance students' learning. We can also add value to students' GCSE studies in science and geography lessons when they're preparing for exams.

Working for all the community.

As well as schools, we also host visits from a wide range of community groups. These range from colleges with students interested in careers at Thames Water, to science clubs and the University of the Third Age (U3A). If members of the community have an interest in our business, we're happy to open our doors and show them what we do.



"We thought the trip was fantastic – it is our second year in a row and the kids loved it. Deena and Liz [are] amazing ladies who know so much and work so well with children. The classroom is set up so well for the children, which makes the trip so easy and stress free for the teachers!"

*- Primary School Teacher,
St Nicolas C of E Combined School.*

Working in partnership.

Many of the visits we host at our education centres are organised directly with schools and community groups, but we also have strong relationships with other organisations which can help us to add value when we're working with schools.

Over the last three years, we've worked closely with the National Citizen Service, a not-for-profit social enterprise. During their summer programme with 16 and 17 year olds, we've enabled the students to engage with us as a local business, and supported them with some key business skills.

We've also been working closely with Enabling Enterprise, a not-for-profit social enterprise which works with schools to support the development of key life skills. We've been pleased to work with them for several years, offering workplace visits to Slough and other operational sites.

- Hosted 52 visits to Slough Education Centre during 2017/18.
- 1193 children visited Slough Education Centre last year.