



Elementary Curriculum Based Agricultural Tours Spring, Summer, Fall & Winter Tours.

Thank you, for choosing Puddicombe Farms for your Educational Experience. As an alternative to classroom learning your children can participate in the “see” and “do” learning experiences on a 220 year old farm. Each tour may feature “Lil’ Pudd”, Niagara’s first agricultural train, tractor pulled wagon rides and a free seasonal class gift. Children love learning about the needs of living things, growth, and the importance of agriculture today at Puddicombe Farms.

BLOSSOMS, BEE’S & SPRING PLANTING (April-May & maybe early June) 2 hour tour

\$8.50/pp. (Tax included) Grades: JK – 4

Students will be able to see the bee’s action first hand while they play a significant role in food, farming and the environment. They will also experience the sights of beautiful blossoms on the fruit trees.

- Train ride on Lil’ Pudd as well as a wagon ride throughout the orchards, vineyards, by the irrigation pond and view the Niagara Escarpment (Students will observe by using all 5 senses)
- Students will observe the beehive and investigate how each occupant of the bee colony work together to produce honey. Students will explore various bee keeping equipment by experiencing the tactile feel of each.
- Students will go through the seasonal maze and end up in the Apple orchard where they will learn how the worker bees cycle through the process of pollination.
- Students will plant a mini garden for your classroom. Learn about how the sun, soil, and water help plants grow.
- Students will receive a snack while on their visit
- Teacher will receive a educational pack for their class

FARM SUMMER SENSATION (June- August) 2 hours tour

\$8.50pp. (Tax included) Grades: JK- 4

- Train ride on Lil’ Pudd as well as a wagon ride throughout the orchards, vineyards, by the irrigation pond and view the Niagara Escarpment (Students will observe by using all 5 senses)
- Walk along the farms trails which takes you through the orchards and vineyards while on a scavenger hunt and observation session.
- Visit with the farm animals
- Adventure through the seasonal maze
- Have fun in the play area

- Go into the pick your own fields and pick either seasonal cherries, peaches, or pears which will also be their nutritious snack.

ECO ADVENTURE F.S.I (Farm Scene Investigation)

(April to November) 3 hour tour

\$9.00 pp. (Tax included) Grades: 1 - 4

Eco Fun is a program designed to familiarize children with nature and it's preservation through interactive activities in the heart of the great outdoors.

Program includes:

- Train ride on Lil' Pudd as well as a wagon ride throughout the orchards, vineyards, by the irrigation pond and view the Niagara Escarpment (Students will observe by using all 5 sense)
- Explore the great outdoors and its different types of environments through a nature scavenger hunt.
- Mini nature walk where students will examine and compare three different rocks while discovering the Niagara escarpment is primarily made up of sedimentary rock.
- Each student will have the opportunity to be a rock-hound and hunt for the three different types of rocks.
- Investigate different soil samples and identify what plants grow best in each sample.
- Students will receive a nutritious snack.
- Students will also learn about preserving our green space and the importance of the land to the community.
- Teacher will receive a educational pack for their class.

FROM FARM TO YOU (April- October) 2 hour tour

\$8.50/pp (Tax included) Grades: JK-4

Did you know that cows are responsible for ingredients used in disposable cameras? Corn is needed to produce ethanol, which powers some cars and trucks, a renewable fuel!

This tour includes:

- Train ride on Lil' Pudd as well as a wagon ride throughout the orchards, vineyards, by the irrigation pond and view the Niagara Escarpment (Students will observe by using all 5 senses)
- Students will play games called "Farm to Table" and "Where do our fruits and veggies grow" to demonstrate how agriculture meets their personal and community's needs.
- Students will also get the chance to find out what foods come from each farm product. This will explain how the natural environment effects agriculture to meet society's needs.
- Students will understand the importance of buying local food.
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- Different areas of the farm involving storage facilities, transportation methods, & packaging/ marketing methods.

- Discuss the Issues Farmers face with urban neighbours and communities. Students brainstorm solutions to these barriers.
- Receive a snack while on their visit.
- Teacher will receive a educational pack for their class.

APPLE OR PEAR HARVEST (September) 2 hour tour

\$8.50/pp. (Tax included) Grades: JK-4

This tour includes:

- Train ride on Lil' Pudd as well as a wagon ride throughout the apple orchards, vineyards, by the irrigation pond and view the Niagara Escarpment fall colours. (Students will observe by using all 5 senses)
- Students will be taken to the pick your own apple orchard and will see firsthand how apples are grown, cared for, and harvested throughout the seasons. Students will be able to pick their own apple to take home.
- Students will be taken to the packing shed and the storage coolers to see how apples are processed for retail. This will demonstrate the interrelationship between the natural environment, agriculture, businesses and communities.
- Students will discover what types of products can be produced from apples and pears.
- Students will receive a snack while on their visit
- Teacher will receive a educational pack for their class

FABULOUS PUMPKINS (October) 2 hour tour

\$8.50/pp. (Tax included) Grades: JK-4

This tour includes:

- Train ride on Lil' Pudd as well as a wagon ride throughout the orchards, vineyards, by the irrigation pond and view the Niagara Escarpment fall colours and view all the fall crops and pumpkin patch. (Students will observe by using all 5 senses)
- Take the pumpkin trail to enhance navigation skills. Visit to the pumpkin patch and play pumpkin trivia where they will learn about certain visible features on a pumpkin.
- Students will receive a snack while on their visit
- Teacher receives educational pack, and pick out a class pumpkin to take home for their class
- Students will receive a small pumpkin or gourd to take home

PUDDICOMBE POLAR EXPRESS (November & December)

\$9.50/pp. (Tax included) Grades: JK-4

Celebrate the season with our version of the Polar Express!

This Tour Includes:

- Children love this Christmas party where Mrs. Clause tells the story written by Chris Van Allsburg while guests enjoy nibbling on cookies and sipping on hot, hot hot- hot chocolate.

- Children will enjoy a Train ride to the Magical North Pole with Santa(or wagon, weather permitting)
- Children will create a special bell Christmas decoration
- Children will develop their writing skills as they have an opportunity to write a letter to Santa
- All children will receive a coupon
- Teachers will receive a activity package for their class

TRACKER INSPECTOR GAGET (January – December)

\$8.50/pp. (Tax included) Grades: JK- 4

This Tour Includes:

- Students will enjoy a train or wagon ride (weather permitting) throughout the orchards, vineyards, by the irrigation pond and view the Niagara Escarpment.
- Students take a nature hike and look for signs of wildlife; identify prints, foods sources, etc. and try to track down the animal. After your nature walk is finished, students will enjoy a campfire with hot chocolate, and play a couple wildlife games.
- To get back from the escarpment your group will receive compasses and instructions to help with your root back to the main building where there is a surprise waiting for you to take back to school
- All children will receive a coupon
- Teachers will receive a activity package for their class

STAY THE FULL DAY!

Full Day Program \$12.50/pp (Tax included)

Choose one of the tour packages and we will add the afternoon program to create a full day trip for you and your class.

Blossoms, Bee's & Spring Planting <i>\$8.50/pp</i>	Eco Adventure F.S.I <i>\$9.00/pp</i>	Apple or Pear Harvest <i>\$8.50/pp</i>
From Farm To You <i>\$8.50/pp</i>	Here Comes Peter Cotton Tail <i>\$7.50/pp</i>	Puddicombe Polar Express <i>\$9.50/pp</i>
Farm Summer Sensation <i>\$8.50/pp</i>	Fabulous Pumpkins <i>\$8.50/pp</i>	Tracker Inspection <i>\$8.50/pp</i>

Full Day Afternoon Program
Scavenger Hunt
Craft
Marshmallow Roasting

Registration Process

Simply Follow these 5 Easy Steps:

1. Choose a package best suited for your students
2. Phone, Fax or E-mail Puddicombe Farms and arrange a tentative date for your visit
3. Fill in the registration / contract below
4. **Submit a \$113.00 non-refundable deposit** in the form of a cheque or credit card number with the registration/contract **within 7 days of booking** (deposit will be deducted from your total payment at the time of your tour)
5. Send package into Puddicombe Farms

Note: If the school would like to pay the deposit by cheque we will hold the deposit with CC# for 10 business days until the cheque arrives. If we don't receive a cheque the deposit will be put through the CC#. You will be notified by phone of confirmation upon receipt of deposit and registration/contract form.

Educational Tours Terms and Conditions

- Tours are booked on a first come first serve basis
- **Tours are confirmed upon receipt of deposit, registration form and teachers signature of terms and conditions. If these above –mentioned requirements are not met you will not be booked in a time slot of your choice**
- Scheduling of activities is the sole responsibility of Puddicombe Farms and is done according to group size; number of groups booked in a time slot and selected programming
- **Tours run rain or shine**, it is the responsibility of the undersigned to have visitors prepared for the weather. Hats, proper footwear and rain-gear a must for or both adult and student guests.
- Puddicombe Farms will **honour your deposit if Puddicombe Estate cancels** the tour because of inclement weather. We will reschedule your tour date at your convenience at that time.
- Because of the demand of Puddicombe Farms tours, small classes or groups could be placed with other small classes or groups. Minimum number of a group is 20 children. Smaller groups can be accommodated at a minimum charge of 20 x \$8.50 for fall programs, \$9.50 for Puddicombe Polar Express.
- Puddicombe Farms is not responsible for the injury or damage to any persons, objects, or equipment used by your group, unless due to the negligence of Puddicombe Farms, including officers and employees. Please use at your own discretion.
- **1 PARENT supervisor per every 5 children will be free of charge. Teacher's and E.A.'s are free of charge. Unfortunately, no additional parents or siblings are able to attend.**
- It is the **responsibility of the school to have proper payment upon arrival** at Puddicombe Farms.
- **ALL CANCELATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED IN WRITING AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE.**

Please email or call us for a registration form and return to

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