



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. Children love learning about the needs of living things, growth, and the importance of agriculture today at Puddicombe Farms.

Here Comes Peter Cottontail (March-May) 2 hour tour \$9.00 (tax included) Grades Pre-School-1

Students will get to step back into the magical world of “Peter Cottontail” written by Steve Nelson and Jack Rollins in 1949 and many of its elements had a long and distinguished literary and cultural history. They will also experience the sights of the beautiful estate.

- Wagon Ride throughout the orchards, vineyards, by the irrigation pond and view the Niagara Escarpment (Students will observe by using all 5 senses)
- Children love the springtime story, the tales of Peter Cottontail written by Steve Nelson and Jack Rollins are read while guests use the wall words to interact during the story
- Everyone will enjoy nibbling on snack and sipping on farm fresh apple cider.
- Students will use their creative side during craft time and test their musical talents while singing the famous Here Comes Peter Cottontail Song.
- Students will learn about how rabbits react and adapt during the 4 Canadian seasons while visiting with “Peek a Boo” one of the farms loving bunnies.
- Teacher will receive a educational pack for their class

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

\$9.00/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

FROM FARM TO YOU (April- October) 2 hour tour \$9.50/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 HARVEST (September) 2 hour tour \$9.00/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

\$9.00/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)

\$10.00/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

Registration Process

Simply Follow these 5 Easy Steps:

1. Choose a package best suited for your students
2. Phone or E-mail Puddicombe Farms and arrange a tentative date for your visit
3. Fill in the registration / contract below
4. **Submit a Visa or Master Card to hold the booking**
5. Send package into Puddicombe Farms

Educational Tours Terms and Conditions

- **Cancellation Policy: All cancellations need to be made 48 hours in advance of the booking date. If not a 100.00 + tax will be applied to the credit card provided.**
- Tours are booked on a first come first serve basis
- **Tours are confirmed upon receipt of a completed 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.
- 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 \$9.00 for fall programs, \$10.00 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.

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

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