POST-16

Our post-16 sessions are designed to give a broad look at a topic, going deeper into understanding animals and the natural world. They will encourage students to actively participate to enrich their own learning. The sessions tie in to multiple subjects and qualifications including Biology, Psychology and Animal Care.

Animal Behaviour and Research

How do we know how animals behave? This session looks at how our understanding of animal behaviour has been shaped by early scientists, such as Pavlov and B.F. Skinner, and how far animal behaviour research has developed since. It explores how animal behaviour underpins many aspects of zoo life including welfare, training, captive breeding and research.

Enrichment Design

This session looks at different types of animal enrichment, how they can be used to stimulate species specific behaviour and why this is important for captive animals.

We will look at the strict criteria our keepers must follow when creating enrichment before having a go at designing an item.

The Role of the Modern Zoo

Do zoos have a place in modern society? Join us to discuss the evolution of zoos and learn more about the role we play in supporting conservation, education and research at Dartmoor Zoo. We will look closely at some of our endangered animals to help us debate the role of the modern zoo.

Conservation Zoo Tour

Join us on an engaging journey around the zoo to visit some of our most interesting animals. Hear their conservation stories and discuss how zoos play a vital role in their survival. This tour can easily be tailored to meet the objective of your visit so please pass on any specific areas you would like us to cover.

Premium and bespoke workshops

We also offer full day workshops covering enclosure design, ethics and careers. Please see separate sheet for details. If none of the sessions above meet your needs, please contact us to discuss whether we can create a bespoke session for you.