COVID-19 guidance notes for educational visits

We are delighted to have reopened after lockdown and to welcome you back - with some changes.
So that everyone can relax and enjoy their visit, things look a bit different.

Our priority is the health and safety of our visitors and staff, so we have put social distancing and hygiene measures in place to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Please ensure all pupils and accompanying adults are fully briefed before your visit.

If you have any concerns or queries, please don’t hesitate to get in touch at: education@botanic.cam.ac.uk or 01223 331875

FACILITIES AND STAYING SAFE IN THE GARDEN

Undercover areas
At the current time we are unable to use the Garden Room during our teaching sessions. However, Type A and Type B visits will be given a key for the Garden Room (including cloakroom and toilets), to use for non-assisted parts of their visits. When using the Garden Room, we ask that all adults and secondary age children, wear face coverings, and that all windows and doors are opened for ventilation.

Glasshouses
Unfortunately, large visiting groups are not permitted in the glasshouses at the current time. If you wish to visit the Glasshouses, you must divide into sub-groups of no more than 6 people (adults and children) and follow the guidance notices displayed at the Glasshouse entrance. There is a one-way system in operation and we recommend that adults and secondary aged children wear a face covering.

In the Garden
We encourage groups to move around the Garden in groups of ten or less because of narrow paths, and to allow space for social distancing between educational groups and our other visitors.

Toilets
Toilets, including disabled toilet, are located in the Garden Room in the Schools’ Garden. There is also a disabled toilet beside the Brookside Gate. We recommend adults and secondary aged children wear face coverings in toilet areas.

Handwashing
There are hand basins and trough sinks for handwashing in the foyer and toilets of the Garden Room. Please help to keep everybody safe by ensuring all members of your group wash their hands with soap and water regularly.

Sanitiser stations
There are stations with hand sanitiser throughout the Garden, including at both gates and outside the Garden Room, and outside the toilets.

Lunchtime facilities
You are welcome to picnic in any of our outdoor spaces. There are areas with picnic benches and tables or you could bring picnic blankets and picnic on the Main Lawn or Fairway. Wherever you choose, please be aware of other visitors using the space.

PLEASE DO NOT VISIT THE BOTANIC GARDEN

If you are currently experiencing symptoms of COVID-19
If you have had recent contact with COVID-19 cases or suspected cases

Please let us know of any confirmed or suspected cases of COVID-19 within your group subsequent to your visit.