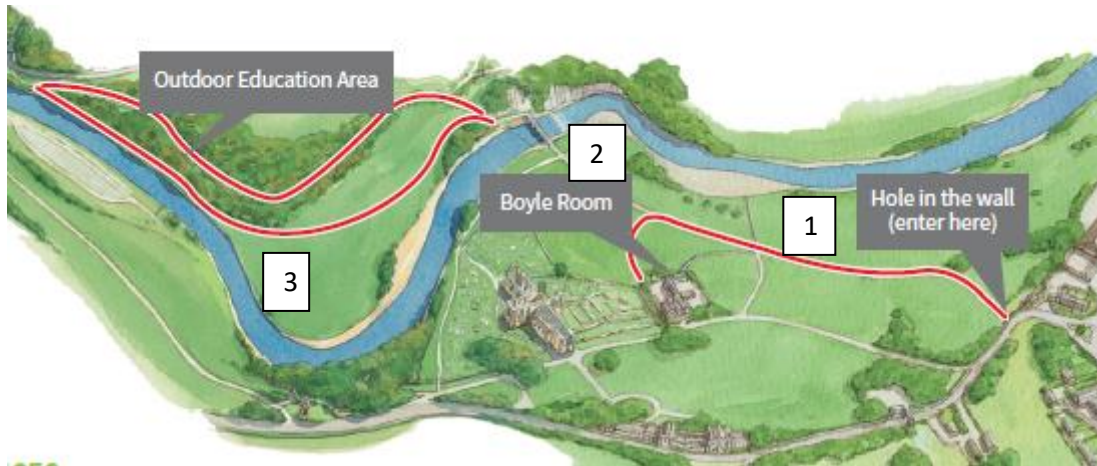


Pick up your resource pack from the village shop (tree id, insect id and tracking sheets)

[Suggested locations for activities in blue](#)



What is a habitat?

An area where an animal lives.

What type of habitats do we have here at Bolton Abbey? (woodland, fields, river)

Look for animals and their habitats on walk – may not see animals (why – you are noisy so they will hide!) but what signs could you look out for? (E.g. rabbit holes, droppings, mole hills, nests, nibbled nuts/leaves, feathers, fur, tracks)

Minibeast hunt (See separate id sheet) [Outdoor Education Area](#)

Remind children it's important to look after their environment, how can they do that? E.g. not pick flowers or snap bits off trees. Look after yourself, look after each other, look after nature

Find a suitable area away from the river and off main paths, roll or lift up a log and look to see what minibeasts you can find underneath. Replace log where you found it afterwards. Could record on sheet if you wish.

Take photos of minibeasts to make clay models of them when you return to school.

Food chains [Location 3](#)

Stand in a grassy area. What animals eat grass? What animals eat those animals (may only be humans)

Look around you for other plants and link to other food chains

e.g. acorns – squirrels – owls

flowers – butterflies – frog – heron

What do the plants need in order to grow – the sun (remind them that it doesn't need to be a sunny day in order for the sun to help the plants grow, sun is always there)

Tracking

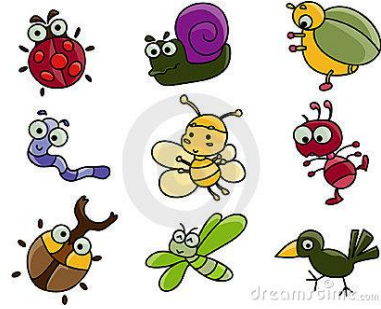
(see separate id sheet) Look on the ground for animal tracks, talk to children about finding a suitable piece of ground where tracks will be clear e.g. soft ground, slightly muddy. What types of animals made the tracks?

For more activities book a workshop with our education officer Amy Garrido

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Where is your microhabitat? (e.g. under a log)








Describe the microhabitat

Words you might use

- Damp
- Dry
- Rough
- Smooth
- Cold
- Warm
- Shady
- Sunny
- Colours

How many minibeasts have you found?

Type of minibeast	
Woodlice 	
Ants 	
Spiders 	
Beetles 	
Other	