

Volunteering with Education and Outreach at the Scottish Seabird Centre

We are looking for enthusiastic individuals to help run our education sessions here at the Scottish Seabird Centre. As an Education Volunteer, you will gain first hand experience delivering STEM educational activities to students of all ages. You'll have the opportunity to inspire a generation of learners into caring for our marine environment.

The primary 4 areas you will be supporting will be:

Wildlife Club: The Wildlife Club is a fun out-of-school group aimed at teaching local primary school children all about the natural world. We meet on Friday afternoons during term time and run all sorts of activities relating to a wide range of wildlife.

Holiday Club: The Holiday Club is a STEM themed activities week based at the Scottish Seabird Centre during the school holidays. This club utilises our incredible location and delivers outdoor learning centred around science and nature.

Outreach Events: Our Learning Team take part in a variety of external events and science festivals all over the country. From Edinburgh all the way up to Orkney, outreach events are a great opportunity for us to raise awareness of Scotland's marine environment through fun, engaging resources and activities, whilst also providing information about the Scottish Seabird Centre.

Outreach Workshops & Talks: As well as participating in events and festivals around the country, we also travel to schools, community groups, and other projects for offsite workshops and talks. Topics can range from Seabirds to Climate Change and sessions can be held for audiences of all ages.

What does the role involve?

As an Educational Support Volunteer, you can:

- Support the education team at variety of educational offerings.
- Design and deliver a wide range of STEM activities for the holiday club and wildlife club.
- Develop resources to be delivered across the education department.
- Attend events and educate the public on the marine environment and raise awareness of the charity.

We are looking for people who:

- Has a passion for nature especially for marine wildlife and habitats.
- A desire to share this passion with others.
- Are creative.
- Are organised and reliable.
- Are enthusiastic about working with children and/or young people.
- Enjoys being outdoors.

Useful but not essential traits:

- Experience working with children.
- Local.
- First Aid Qualified.

What you will get in return:

- A chance to inspire a new generation of learners to care for our planet.
- The opportunity to develop communication and teaching skills.
- CV and careers support if requested.
- Travel expenses covered.

Time/Hours:

This position is entirely voluntary so you are welcome to sign up for as much as you would like:

- Wildlife Club run every Friday during the school term.
- Holiday Club run every weekday during the school holidays (3 weeks of holiday club during the summer holiday)
- Outreach and Festivals run periodically throughout the year.

To Apply:

- If you are interested in this opportunity, please get in touch via info@seabird.org with an indication of your availability and interests, and we will get back to you as soon as possible.
- Please note – the completion of an application to the PVG scheme is required for this role, due to the close work involved with young people. Successful applicants will be supported through this simple application and costs covered by Scottish Seabird Centre.