



# COUNCIL FOR LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM





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# New staff



**Matilda Miles**

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LOtC Development Officer  
(West Midlands)

# Aim of the LOtC Quality Badge review

- Ensure the LOtC Quality Badge was still fit for purpose
- Ensure CLOtC had a full understanding of how the LOtC Quality Badge was being in assessed by the different awarding bodies and sub schemes and ensure they were all meeting the same standard
- Understand different stakeholders' understanding and expectation of the LOtC QB, consider which expectations were most important and how we manage other expectations
- Consider how to develop further and increase uptake



# LOtC Quality Badge



	Route 1	Route 2					
Sector	Theatres, Galleries, Museums, Places of Worship, zoos, theme parks etc	Farming and Countryside	Natural Environment	Trampoline Parks	Adventure Activities	Study, Sport, Cultural Tours	Overseas Expeditions
Awarding Body	CLOtC	CLOtC	CLOtC	BAPA	AAIAC	STF	EPA
Sub-schemes					BAPA, MT, AHOEC, BASI, MIAS		



# Areas of action -

- Marketing of the LOtC Quality Badge brand
- Supporting LOtC Quality Badge holders further – training, promotion, sharing good practice
- Review Quality Indicators and Sub-Indicators, and assessment procedures
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- Look at supporting other types of providers to apply for the badge especially leisure and recreation
- Rebranding the LOtC Site Provider Award as the LOtC Quality Badge (site only)

# Learning Beyond – 3 pathways

3 levels of support to develop LOtC -



12 LOtC Hubs

# What Learning Beyond does for schools/settings

- Encouraging reflection of their current provision
- Supporting move from incidental LOfC to a more strategic approach
- Ensuring they monitor, evaluate and review
- Encouraging schools to communicate further with their EVAs/OEAs





# Waterways, Wildlife and Wellbeing project

Encourage the embedding of LOtC in schools' daily practice with a focus on nature connectedness.

- Free LOtC Membership to 500 schools
- Approx 70 being mentored
- Free accredited Visit Leader Training at 7 venues across the region. OEAs being funded to run these
- Free 'using your school grounds' training at 7 venues

Working in partnership:



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# New Website and new CRM

- We will be launching our new website shortly
- Easier to navigate for providers and for schools/settings
- Website sneak preview .....





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# Helping you take your teaching beyond the classroom

The Council for Learning Outside the Classroom (CLOTc) is a national charity that champions all learning that happens beyond the classroom (LOTc).

Our work supports educators, schools and organisations who are dedicated to ensuring more children and young people have opportunities for life-changing learning experiences beyond the classroom, whether these happen indoors or outdoors, close to home or far away.

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# CLOtC National Conference 2023 – Thursday 2 March

## West Midlands Safari Park

LOtC Quality Badge holder and winner of the 'Best Wildlife Attraction' at the STO Awards 2022

Large marquee, 'Safari Academy' classrooms and outside spaces



# CLOtC National Conference 2023 – Thursday 2 March

*Achieving quality learning beyond the classroom: CLOtC National Conference 2023*

*Hosted by Paul Rose*

The day will feature:

- **keynote speakers** focussing on the ‘why’
- **defined and targeted workshops** focussing on the ‘how’ – a stream for schools/settings and a stream for providers
- **discussion circles and networking**
- **LOtC Hub school, Mark awards and a celebration of the Waterways, Wildlife and Wellbeing project**
- **Exhibitors**
- **Minibus safari tour**

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## Confirmed Keynote Speakers



Professor Mick Waters

Author ('Thinking allowed in schooling' and 'About our schools: Improving on previous best') and Former Headteacher



Jon Clarke

Shadow Headteacher, Walsall Academy



Ann Scannell

Teacher at Manorcroft Primary School  
Gold LOtC Mark school and LOtC Hub

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## Workshop Programme – 12 Workshops for Schools and Educational Settings

Starting your LOtC Journey

Nature Connectedness - simple activities to enhance wellbeing

Using cultural and heritage sites to bring learning to life

Getting the most out of your visit to a nature or wildlife attraction

Ensuring good practice when leading an off-site visit

Identifying the learning potential of your local learning area

Taking arts beyond the classroom to enrich students' lives and meet school's priorities

Residentials - developing your range of opportunities

Taking primary students abroad - the challenges and triumphs

Adventurous activities for all - in your school grounds to further afield

Using LOtC to foster acceptance and understanding of diversity

Using your school grounds for learning



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## Workshop Programme – 12 Workshops for Providers

What is Quality?

Access for all - ensuring your LOtC sites and activities are accessible for all (outdoor learning)

Access for all - ensuring your LOtC sites and activities are accessible for all (indoor learning)

Current thinking in education and how it affects your LOtC offer

Making planning an off-site visit easier for schools/settings

Ensuring your offer fully supports your users' learning objectives

The importance of LOtC for children from communities experiencing significant barriers to meaningful access with the natural world

Building nature connectedness into your everyday LOtC practice

How do we ensure inclusivity in the LOtC industry?

Effective risk management and adventure activity leader competence

How collaborative working between providers can have a greater impact when supporting schools

Running a successful wellbeing project

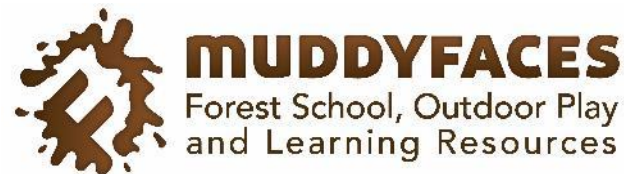
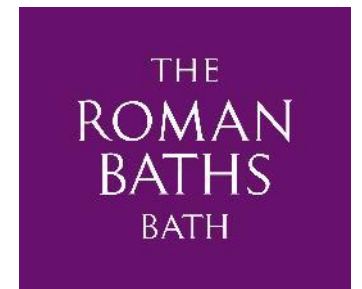
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Tickets are now on sale

Advanced tickets are now available until 31 December 2022

- CLOtC Members £150
- 2 x Teacher CLOtC Members £250
- Non Members £190

Find out more and a link to book your ticket at <https://www.lotc.org.uk/clotc-national-conference/>

**Please share details of this event with your networks.**

# Learning Beyond the Classroom Short Film

Our wonderful short film created by [Andrew Rutter](#) and funded by [Helpfilm](#) has been accepted as an entry into the Smiley Charity Film Awards. The first round of voting is open for two months. Those with the most votes will go onto the shortlist for the next round.

Please vote for us and encourage your networks/families to do so too at:

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