

The Grove's Trips & Enrichment Programme

How off-site learning transforms lives, builds independence, and prepares every student for the world beyond the classroom.



A Culture of Experiences

Our Off-Site Learning

We believe that off-site learning is far more than just an occasional outing; it is an essential part of how our pupils engage with the world beyond the classroom. Through our year-round Trips and Workshops Planning Tracker, we ensure a consistent schedule of visits from September through July, providing every student with the continuous enrichment they need to broaden their horizons and build their confidence.

Diverse Destinations Across London and Beyond

Our students visit a remarkable breadth of venues — each carefully chosen to expand horizons, spark curiosity, and connect classroom learning to the real world.



Cultural Landmarks

London Museum, The Centre, The Postal Museum, Frameless, and The Lightroom — immersive experiences that inspire wonder and creative thinking.



Community Activities

Kentish Town City Farm, Rowans, Omved Gardens, Local Parks and Local High Streets a — familiar yet enriching spaces that build confidence and community belonging.



Music, Art & Culture

Frameless, The Lightroom and the Science Museum are just some of the trips that offer multi-sensory experiences. Music enrichments supports creative expression across all learner profiles.

Curriculum Enrichment Across All Faculties

Every trip is purposefully mapped to the curriculum, transforming abstract classroom content into lived, memorable experiences across all subject areas.

Performing Arts and RE

- RE: Visits to Buddhist Temples, local Mosques Synagogues, and Churches to explore faith traditions first-hand
- Performing Arts: Theatre visits to Jacksons Lane to experience live professional performance

STEM & Humanities

- IWM Duxford for integrated history and science learning through real aircraft and wartime artefacts
- London Transport Museum for geography, engineering, and the history of urban infrastructure

Life Skills & Personal Development

- SCULPT (work experience program), Careers week activities, Kentish Town City Farm, Black Horse Road studios, Horse Riding



Building Independence and Life Skills

Every Trip is a Learning Experience

For our pupils, every off-site visit is far more than a curriculum activity — it is a structured opportunity to develop the practical independence skills that will define their adult lives.



Travel Training

Pupils learn to navigate the London Underground and bus network with growing confidence, building the spatial awareness and resilience essential for independent travel across the city.



Community Access

Local areas in the community help to develop the real-world social confidence and everyday practical skills needed for independent community living.



Life Skills Passport

Progress in independence and self-help skills is formally tracked through each Pupil's Life Skills Passport, providing a clear, evidence-based record of development over time.

Pathways to the Future

Careers and Work-Related Learning

The volume and quality of our off-site programme directly underpins outstanding outcomes in careers education.

1

Workplace Visits

Pupils gain first-hand insight into professional environments through visits to a variety of workplaces spanning retail, legal, and skilled trades.

2

Young Enterprise

Pupils participate in the nationally recognised Young Enterprise programme, developing entrepreneurial thinking, financial literacy, and team-based project skills.

3

Learn to Work

The Learn to Work programme bridges the transition from school to employment, equipping students with workplace readiness skills tailored to their individual goals and capabilities.

Planning, Safeguarding and Pastoral Support

Rigorous Planning Behind Every Visit

Every trip is underpinned by a robust framework of planning, safeguarding, and pastoral support — ensuring that off-site learning is as safe as it is enriching.



Rigorous Planning

Every visit involves detailed risk assessments, pupil preparation documents, and work with parents.



Qualified Staff

Trips are well resourced and supported by a high ratio of qualified staff, including First Aiders, ensuring expert supervision at every stage of the journey.



Evidencing and record keeping

Pupil's experiences are captured through photos, Earwig and Learning Journeys, creating a meaningful record of experiences that can inform progress against targets on PLPs and EHCPs..

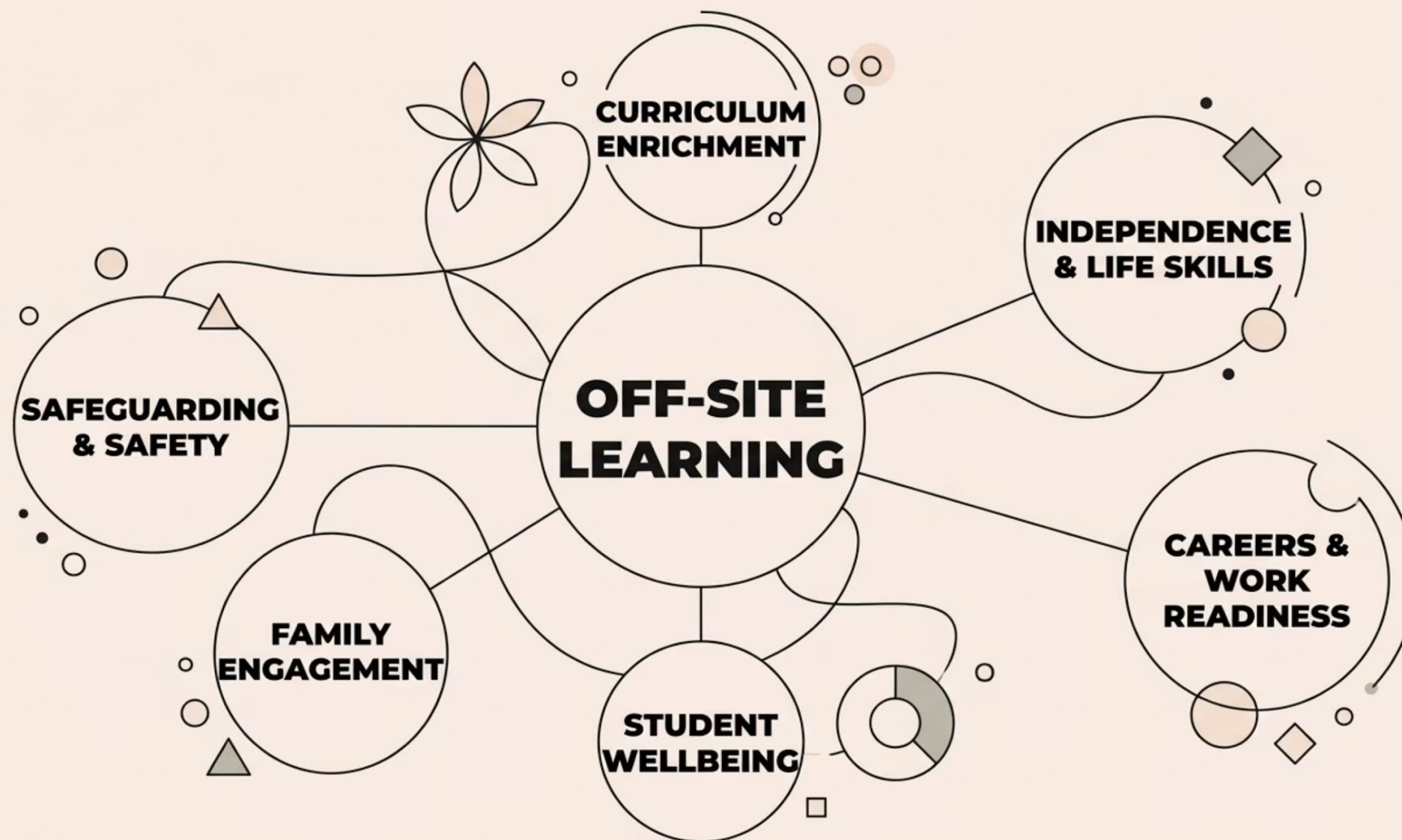


Parental Transparency

Parents receive clear communication before, during, and after each visit, with documented evidence ensuring every family is a fully informed partner in their child's learning journey.

How It All Connects: The Grove's Learning Ecosystem

Our off-site programme does not operate in isolation — it is the connective tissue that links curriculum, independence, wellbeing, and careers into a single coherent vision for each student.



Inclusion Over Isolation

By ensuring consistent, supported access to the wider world, The Grove actively counters the social isolation that too many SEND students experience. Every trip is a statement of ambition for our students.