

Our River, Our Water Travel Grant

All state funded schools with 20% or more pupils eligible for Free School Meals are able to apply for a grant of up to £500 towards the cost of transport to an Our River, Our Water session.

We use the "<u>Get information about schools service</u>" as our data source to confirm percentage of Free School Meals.

- Grants will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. If your application is successful, you will be sent an email to confirm the grant. We aim to respond within five working days.
- Your school is eligible for one grant per academic year.
- Visits and trips must have been taken before the end of July 2024.
- Applications must be made in advance, there can be no retrospective applications.

The Our River, Our Water project is a partnership between Southern Water and the Rivers Trusts South East, a group of Rivers Trusts covering the south east of England. The Travel Grant funding is provided by Southern Water and managed by Wessex Rivers Trust.

How do I apply?

- Agree a provisional date and visit location for an Our River, Our Water session with one of the session providers and obtain quotes for transport costs from a travel provider. For a list of session providers, please see below.
- Email tracy@wessexrt.org.uk for an Our River, Our Water Travel Grant application and evaluation form.
- Complete and return your application form to <u>tracy@wessexrt.org.uk</u>, your application will be confirmed via an acceptance letter via email.
- After your visit or trip, send an evaluation form (found on page 2 of your application form)
 along with a copy of the invoice/s or receipt/s to tracy@wessexrt.org.uk. This should be returned within a month of the visit taking place.
- Payment of your grant will then be made to the bank account nominated on your evaluation form.

Our River, Our Water Session Providers:

- Wessex Rivers Trust <u>Our River Our Water (wessexrt.org.uk)</u>
- South East Rivers Trust Education South East Rivers Trust
- White Cliffs Countryside Partnership whitecliffscountryside.org.uk/about-us/ourservices/education

For more resources, activities and ideas to support your learning from Southern Water, visit: www.southernwater.co.uk/water-for-life/education



