



SCHOOL TRIPS & TREATS

THE DOME, DONCASTER

INFORMATION PACK



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About Doncaster Dome

Bring your students to one of the UK's most iconic leisure venues – the Doncaster Dome, home to the UK's only split-level ice rink.

Whether you're planning an end-of-term treat or looking for a fun and engaging way to promote physical activity, a trip to The Dome is a fantastic choice for schools of all sizes.

Our split-level rink, with its unique ramps and connecting bridge, offers a skating experience like no other – and now holds listed building status due to its cultural and architectural significance.

Opened by Princess Diana in 1989, and with the first official stone laid by Queen Elizabeth II in 1986, the Dome is rich in local and national history, making it a great opportunity to combine physical education with a touch of historical learning.

We can accommodate up to 300 children on the ice, and our experienced staff are on hand to ensure a safe, fun, and inclusive environment for all ages and abilities – whether it's their first time skating or they're already confident on the ice.



Option for schools

At Doncaster Dome, we offer flexible and affordable school trip options designed to suit your group's needs, whether you're planning a one-off treat, a regular visit, or a curriculum-linked educational experience.



We welcome schools of all sizes and cater to all ages and abilities, ensuring a safe and enjoyable visit for every student.

School skating sessions can be tailored to your preference – choose to share the ice with others for a vibrant, sociable atmosphere, or hire the entire rink exclusively for your group for a more private experience.

With prices for group visits starting from just £3 per child, our packages are great value and easy to customise.

Add-Ons Include:

- Return passes for children to come back and enjoy the rink with their families
- The option to stay for food with our affordable and child-friendly catering options
- Access to free educational resources that support learning outcomes and link your trip to the National Curriculum – perfect for enhancing topics in subjects like History, Physical Education, Climate Change, Arctic Animals, and Design & Technology

Whether you're rewarding students, enriching a topic, or promoting physical activity, Doncaster Dome provides a fun, educational, and unforgettable day out.

Our team is on hand to help plan every detail – just let us know what your group needs, and we'll take care of the rest.

Food & Drink

Keep your students fuelled and happy during your visit with our convenient and great-value food options.

Our team can cater for all dietary requirements, including vegetarian, vegan, and allergen-free options—just let us know in advance, and we'll ensure every child is looked after.

It's the perfect way to round off your visit and keep the day running smoothly.

Penguin Pack-Up - £3.95 per child

- Ham, or Cheese Sandwich
- Del Monte Fruit Bag (apples and grapes)
- Jug of squash to share

P-P-Pick up a Pizza - £3.95 per child

- ¼ Margherita Pizza
- Del Monte Fruit Bag (apples and grapes)
- Jug of squash to share



Linking the rink to learning.

Educational Opportunities at Doncaster Dome

A school trip to Doncaster Dome's iconic split-level ice rink is more than just fun – it's packed with exciting cross-curricular learning opportunities that can bring classroom topics to life in an engaging and memorable way. From science and sport to geography and history, there's plenty to explore on and off the ice.

Geography & Science – Life on Ice

Introduce your students to the fascinating world of arctic animals, from polar bears and penguins to seals and snowy owls. A skating session can become the perfect setting to talk about cold climates, animal adaptations, and how wildlife survives in extreme environments. You can even link the experience to topics like the Ice Age or explore how ice forms, melts, and behaves—making science come alive through observation and discussion.

Physical Education & Sport – Skating into Fitness

Ice skating is a brilliant way to promote physical activity, coordination, and balance. Inspire pupils by linking their experience to famous figures such as Torvill and Dean, Olympic gold medallists who made ice dancing a national passion.

Explore how figure skating and ice hockey feature in the Winter Olympics, and let students feel what it's like to try a sport that's both challenging and rewarding.



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History & Heritage – A Skating Rink with Royal Roots

The Doncaster Dome isn't just a rink – it's a piece of history. Officially opened by Princess Diana in 1989, and with the foundation stone laid by Queen Elizabeth II in 1986, the Dome is now a listed building and a local landmark. Learn about the building's architectural importance, its role in Doncaster's development, and what it means to preserve places of historic value.



Whether you're focusing on the natural world, the science of ice, the joy of sport, or British heritage, a trip to the Doncaster Dome ice rink offers an interactive, fun-filled learning experience that your pupils will never forget.

Free downloadable resources are also available to help link your visit directly to the National Curriculum.

Risk Assessment

You can use this pre-prepared risk assessment to help you with the safe planning of your trip with us.



DOWNLOAD NOW

**Click here to view our
Ice Skating Risk Assessment.**

**You can also download this by
selecting  in the top
right hand toll bar on the
online document.**

Price List

Prices are based on a minimum booking requirement of 30 children.

Ice Skating for 90 minutes

£5 per child

This includes skate hire.

Teachers, Teaching Assistants and Parent Helpers

Free of Charge

Skating Aids (Penguin or Snowmen)

£25 per 5 aids (these can then be placed on the ice and shared)

Food

£3.95 per child

Hot or Cold options available

All prices are inclusive of VAT.



Contact Us

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and availability please email

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