

Walks from Running Hare



School Knott



School Knott, a knobbly hill visible from our neighbouring park, is one of the most delightful little local walks for you to enjoy with its varied scenery, wonderful panoramic views of surrounding countryside and Lake Windermere. It's not in most guidebooks so there's just a few locals enjoying the area. Occasionally paths can be muddy after rain but there's a good mix of tarmac and stone paths. It's a perfect little pootle out if you have an hour or so and don't want to stray too far. Great views for minimal effort.

Distance: 2 miles/3.3km

Time: about one hour.

Check out our guide to foraging to find some tasty pickings on this walk.

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www.runningharewindermere.co.uk/walks-from-here

1. Turn left as you leave Running Hare, walking up Limethwaite Road with the park to your left. You can see School Knott and its unnamed hilly friend up ahead.
2. Take the second right up Fairfield Road, right to the top, turning left to the end of Victoria Road North where you'll find a tall gate near a palm tree.
3. Go through the gate and turn right then go through another tall gate. (Straight ahead before the gate is the way you will descend from School Knott).
4. Walk along the tarmac track, passing lovely Droomer Cottage, continuing into High Lickbarrow woods.
5. Pass a couple of deserted stone buildings on your left, continuing on the tarmac track up the gentle hill with the stream on your left. Go through the wide gate ahead, leaving the road as it turns right, following the sign to Cleabarrow.
6. Continue on the stone track through hummocky fields. Occasionally there's a few cows, minding their own business ;-)
7. Go through the wide gate into the woods and across the stream using the small stone slab bridge.
8. Follow the well-defined stone track gently uphill, taking the left path at the fork signposted Hag End, Dales Way.
9. Follow the path uphill on the gently winding stone path through the fields. Go through the wooden stile in the gate and keep straight on the less defined path parallel with the wall on your right.
10. Ignore the path on the right, marked Dales Way, and carry on through the field with hills coming into view up ahead.
11. You will reach lovely little School Knott tarn, at which point you turn left up the hill towards the stone walls, leaving the tarn directly behind you.
12. Go through the gate in the wall [sometimes open, there's a narrow and wider gate]. Carry on bearing slightly left on the wider grassy path up the hill. Turn around to enjoy the views of the hills as you ascend School Knott.
13. Reach the top of the grassy knoll which is School Knott (it's not marked by a trig point), and take in the spectacular panoramic views around you including Windermere town and lake. The terrace of Victorian houses with Running Hare is visible on the left of Queen's Park. How gorgeous are these views for not too much effort?
14. From the top of School Knott, descend following the meandering grassy path ahead towards the tall wooden gate in the wall.

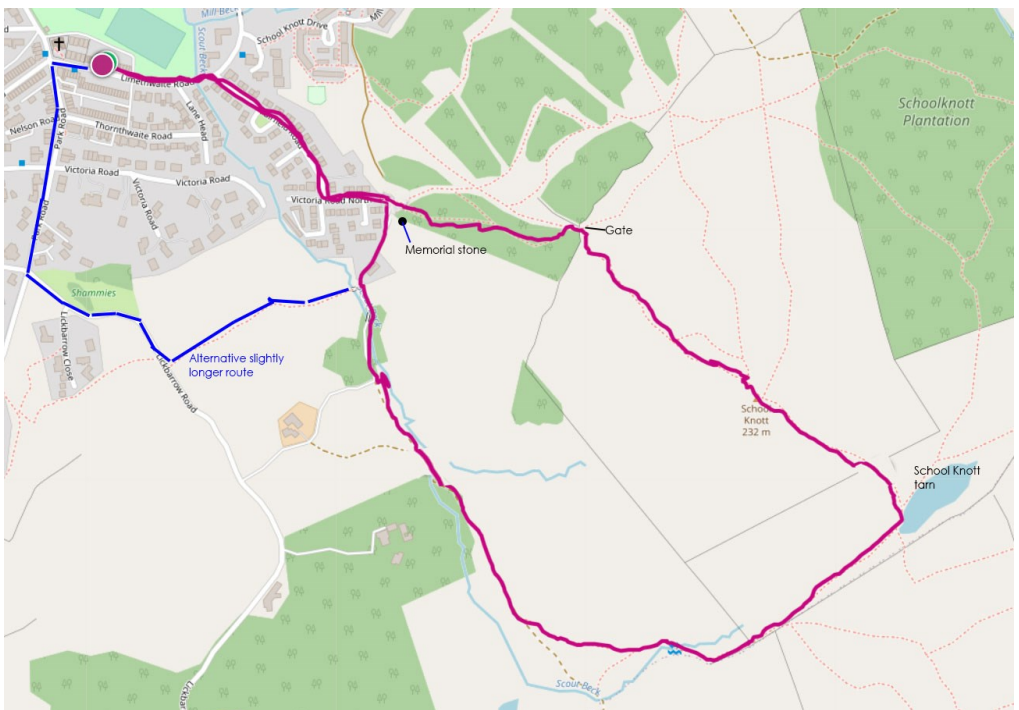
15. Go through the gate and turn left into the woods by the bench.
[alternatively you can also take the next left into the woods reaching the same point]
16. Follow the pathway down this peaceful little woodland till you emerge at the path you came in beyond the stone dedication to the woods that you saw at point (3).
17. Cross the track and go through the same tall narrow gate to emerge on Victoria Road North.
18. Turn right down Fairfield Road, and left into Limethwaite Road.

The walk is marked in red. The start and end follow the same route on the road. Alternatively you can make the walk slightly longer starting on the blue route.

Turn right out of Running Hare, then left up Park Road at the corner shop. Take a left up steep Lickbarrow Road at the sign for Windermere Park. As the road levels out and curves right look out for a the gate in the wall on your left, signposted Old Droomer.

Cross two fields (occasionally with cows) towards a wooden style to cross the little stream.

Climb up the stone steps and turn right on the tarmac track into High Lickbarrow woods. Now continue from point 5 of the original walk.





Stunning views from the top of School Knott. The terrace row with Running Hare is to the left of the park.

Knobbly School Knott viewed from Queen's Park



Tiny School Knott tarn with its little islands of cuckoo flowers



This is Danielle's favourite walk from Running Hare as you can make a last minute decision to nip out for a short but rewarding walk uphill to enjoy breathtaking and calming views of the lakes. Bruce loves running the trio of School Knott, Post Knott and Brant Fell.