

## f. Wye Valley Youth Adventures

Since launching in March this year our youth group has been out and about in the Wye Valley. We've did a mix of activities during the launch event in March including Whistle whittling, bird ID and anatomy, woodland foraging and the most popular, toasting marshmallows!

Following the success of the launch event we've done:

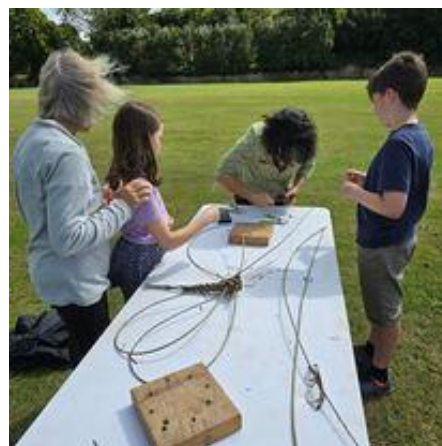
- Bushcraft with Ancient Boar Adventurers at Devauden Village Hall, the children learnt how to make a fire, chop wood, whittle tent pegs, build a shelter and cook a vegetable soup.



- All about Bee Walk, supported by Ciaran Clark from the SDF Bee of Monmouthshire project. We then visited the Monmouth Bee Festival and made bee Hotles and seed bombs.



- Bat Walk- A nighttime walk around Beacon Hill with Helena Ronicle. We had a dusk to dark walk around Beacon Hill learning about the ecology of the site, used bat detectors set a different frequency to hear what species were about and to top it off we were fortunate to see 4 Nightjars!
- Willow Weaving- a day of weaving dragon flies and hedgehogs with The Willow Bank







- Charcoal making and forestry demonstration- Wye Coppice CIC, another SDF funded project, gave us a demonstration of how an Alaskan saw works and the children were get involved with some of the forestry works. We then moved to a different sport where Joe had charcoal burners set up all at different stages.



- Biofluorescent Walk- we ran 2 walks around Beacon Hill using biofluorescent torches giving the children an unforgettable different version of the woods.



- Outdoor Cooking- We joined Tim and Emily at Bears Farm (FiPL Project) for some outdoor cooking. We had vegetable and chicken stew parcels, chocolate bananas, sourdough and dampers! We had so much fun no one wanted to leave!





- Our next Adventurers are fungi foraging and making Christmas crafts