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SPINNEY WOOD

Aylesham Parish Council have asked us to help look after Spinney Wood. It's a fun place to explore with bluebells and woodland birds to spot. Check out the Visit our Sites section below to see how to visit.



EYE TO THE SKY

Last month a white tailed eagle was spotted flying around Dover. The birds are huge, from one wingtip to the other is about 2m, that's more than the height of an adult! It's thought the bird had flown 100 miles from the Isle of Wight to Dover.

WATCH YOUR STEP!

Did you know that not all birds make nests in trees? Many birds make their nests on the ground. The birds and their eggs are well camouflaged and the parents are good at protecting their nest. But it can still be dangerous and you can help by keeping your dog on a lead so it won't scare the birds away or step on the nest.

WHAT'S THE BUZZ AT FORT BURGoyNE?

Fort Burgoyne has some new residents. A local beekeeper has placed some hives with bees at the fort and they're doing a great job pollinating the lovely wildflowers.



A buzzard (left) and a sea eagle (right)



A meadow pipit nest



Fort Burgoyne

LOVE YOUR PLANET

CELEBRATE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

World Environment Day is on the **5th of June** and is celebrated by learning about nature and doing things to help make the planet healthier. This years theme is ecosystem restoration— which means making unhealthy wild spaces healthy again.

WHAT CAN YOU DO ON WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY?

GO ON A NATURE APPRECIATION WALK

Nature is great because it gives us the food we eat and the air we breathe, which is why we need to look after it. There are also lots of fun things nature can give us if we use our imaginations. Go on a nature walk to see if you can find the following.

Find something...

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | to climb | <input type="checkbox"/> | to play catch with |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | that looks pretty | <input type="checkbox"/> | to make into a piece of art |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | to give as a gift | <input type="checkbox"/> | to jump over |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | that smells good | <input type="checkbox"/> | to make a den with |

GO ON A LITTER PICK

Visit your local wild place and get searching for litter. Use a litter picker or gloves and be careful not to pick up anything dangerous or sharp. If you can separate out recycling such as cans and pop them in your recycling bin at home. If you want to organise a big clean then ask your local council if they can provide equipment and collect the bags of rubbish afterwards.



DO SOME GARDENING

Do you, or does someone you know, have space for some extra plants? Planting wildlife friendly plants is a great way to help insects like butterflies find enough food. Even a small pot or a window box can make a difference.



USE YOUR VOICE

Is there something that you think could be changed to help the environment? If so why not write to the person in charge and ask them to change it. Maybe you could ask your local supermarket to put some wildflowers in their car park or ask your school to make your playground better for wildlife.



JUNIOR RANGERS NEWS

GET SNAPPING

Junior Rangers can take photos of how they celebrate World Environment Day to work towards their next badge. Just email your photos to wccp@dover.gov.uk

JOIN THE HUNDREDS OF LOCAL JUNIOR RANGERS!

The Junior Rangers take a closer look at wildlife & ecology by taking part in WCCP & RMCP events and activities.

It only costs £5 to join and by completing activities or attending events you progress through the levels from Junior Ranger (5 events) to Peregrine (40 events) earning badges, certificates and wildlife themed prizes along the way.

To join please email wccp@dover.gov.uk



How do you get a squirrel to like you?

Act like a nut!

Where do fish keep their money?

In the river bank!



VISIT OUR SITES

WCCP & RMCP manage sites from Romney Marsh to Dover which you can visit. Please park considerately and follow the countryside code.



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