

Wendy Wood Update

What a very busy and hot month it has been in Wendy Wood. The Sunflowers have enjoyed looking around the wood and noticing the effects of what has happened to certain areas due to the lack of rain, especially the dry, dusty and yellow grass and meadow.

The children went looking for mini-beasts and bugs and noticed there weren't many around. They looked under logs and in the new refurbished bug hotel but unfortunately there wasn't much to see. This sparked conversations with the children about why this might be and the Sunflowers commented that it had been too hot for the wildlife and bugs. With this in mind they decided to leave out water trays and birdseed to see if this would encourage the birds, bugs and animals to come back for a visit. Some of the Sunflowers decided that the wildlife would enjoy a mud pie with an extra topping of grass so created some masterpieces to leave out for them.

Other exciting activities taken place this month have been tree-climbing, with all of the children taking part in seeing who could climb the highest. This really developed the children's confidence and developing relationships as they are encouraged each other to have a go and enthusiastically supported one another. The Sunflowers have also enjoyed exploring ropes, figuring out all the different ways they can be used and particularly enjoyed developing their skills in tying knots to create dens to give them some shade during their sessions.



Other activities we have enjoyed this month included tying logs to ropes and 'walking' their dogs, cloud spotting and comparing the different coloured blades of grass.

Next month we will participate in 'The Big Butterfly Count' and both 'World Orangutan and Rhinoceros Day' where we have many exciting activities planned.