

A Report for the Nineveh Trust Wildness & Wellbeing in Wales Project

Thank you to the trustees of the Nineveh Trust for your support in funding the Wildness and Wellbeing project. This report provides an update on our activities over the past year. As a long-term supporter of the John Muir Award, we are grateful for your contribution in supporting and enhancing the lives of people in Wales through engagement with nature.

Over the past year we have:

- Supported over 2,000 John Muir Award participants across Wales.
- Facilitated 18,000 hours of social action for nature and the environment.
- 218 people attended our bespoke training courses
- Developed a Welsh language resource to support and engage with Welsh speaking communities.



Training and resources

We have provided a range of training offers to support the broad diversity of stakeholders including general introductory training, Welsh Language specific training and training specifically for teachers and education settings. We have run 14 sessions and had 218 people attend the sessions.

We have continued to build sustainable partnerships with Urdd Gobaith Cymru, Menter Iaith and Bangor University and continued to support the development of the Wales Council for Outdoor Learning.

Outdoor learning week in Wales

The John Muir Trust celebrated nature connection in Wales during Wales Outdoor Learning Week (28 March - 3 April 2022). First held in 2019, the week was created by the [Wales Council for Outdoor Learning](#) to encourage and inspire teachers, learning groups and families across Wales to embed outdoor learning within school and family life and reap its many benefits.

The Chair of the Wales Council for Outdoor Learning is our Wales-based John Muir Trust England and Wales Manager, Phil Stubbington. He said: “value for nature is more vital than ever; something that is engrained into the fabric and culture of this amazing nation.’

John Muir Award in schools

Ysgol Aberconwy

School pupils in Conwy recently completed their Discovery Award which included an overnight camp on Bod Silyn. Their overnight expedition involved walking up onto Bod Silyn and setting up camp. Whilst there, they spent time on practical conservation activities such as clearing invasive species like rhododendron and planting native rowan trees. As night drew in, they set up a campfire and celebrated their achievements.



Ysgol y Gwernant @YGwernant · Jun 8

Cafodd Bl 5 a 6 fore arbennig yn mwynhau gwneud gweithgareddau tu allan. Years 5 and 6 had a great time outdoors this morning. Diolch @johnmuiraward 🐛🌿🌳🍷



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Ysgol Gwernant

Year 5 & 6 school pupils in Llangollen have been working towards their John Muir Award by exploring and creating habitats as part of their Discovery Award. Over two days spent with John Muir Trust staff they explored their local school grounds in more detail, as well as local woodland and heritage sites. Pupils collectively spent 240 hours on conservation activities by planting wildflower seeds for pollinators, recycling plastic bottles into bird feeders and creating a bug hotel within the school field for different types of insects. They plan to continue and build upon their experiences across the remainder of the school year.

Thank you for your support:

We would like to thank the trustees of the Nineveh trust and would welcome any further contributions to support the project into the second and third year of delivery. If you would like any further information, please do get in touch.