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Dear Nineveh Trust,

I am writing to thank you for the funding given to The Garden Classroom (TGC) for our Hobbs Hill camping residentials. The Nineveh Trust's donation enabled us to buy new tents and kitchen equipment. This equipment enabled 217 inner city children to join TGC for transformative nature connection camps in the High Weald AONB in 2022 and will enable many more children to come camping in future years.

Below are a selection of photos from the 2022 camps:





Children took part in nature connection activities including bird-watching, tree-climbing and campfire cooking, then slept in comfortable bell tents overnight. Teacher's feedback on the importance of the camps for the children has been overwhelmingly positive, especially supporting their wellbeing and building resilience, following the challenging last few years of Covid. Feedback quote from a teacher: *"The TGC team and experience are absolutely brilliant. The team are fantastic with the children and show such care for the children while delivering brilliant sessions. Our children loved it; they have memories to treasure and a lasting appreciation for nature developed by spending time in Kent."*

The equipment we bought with the Nineveh money will last us many years to come and enable many more children to connect to nature. We are pleased to have purchased five 5m Holibobs bell tents for children as we believe these to be the strongest bell tents on the market and so the best to withstand the use of the groups of children. We have also purchased five 3m SoulPad bell tents for teachers, and easy clean colourful mats for all the tents. These mats are a great asset as they do not hold dust like the coir matting we were previously using in tents and so are much better for asthma and hay fever sufferers.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Millie Darling, TGC Countryside Manager

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