

John Muir Discovery Award

Review

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Discover

We did the John Muir award in the forest behind the school, the forest is a large place with huge trees and snaking paths. Even though we decided to build in a calm place we still had red tape it which I didn't like, but it was there for our safety. We built a small creature hotel/house called the Travelog, it had a bedroom and a kitchen, and I think it was really good. Our group worked really hard to build this masterpiece. The Travelog is a small, calm hotel for the small, colourful bugs, insects, hedgehogs and other creatures. I loved the hotel and building it with my group. This experience was the best and most fun, I loved doing John Muir.

Explore

To get to know the environment we played games and did bug hunting around the area, my favourite game was hide and seek. I've found out that the forest is bigger than I thought and hedgehogs eat dog and cat food. My group decided to build a small creature hotel because we know that hedgehogs and bugs live in the forest.

Thursday was my favourite day because we added the finishing touches like, the worm playground and the swimming pool (even though we filled it with leaves not water). I also like Thursday because we played lots of games and got to see everyone's bug houses, hedgehog homes and other things.



Conserve

My responsibility was, when Kieron, Lola and I had lost the group. Lola and I went separate ways to go and find them, I got lost a few times but eventually found Lola at the bottom of the smaller forest. Me and Keiron went to find leaves for the bugs, we did pick them but we gave them to our bugs. In my group was Keiron, Lola, Sophie, Marnie, Max, Etson and Mrs Moore (our group's adult). The Travelog was built using our friendship and teamwork. Building the bug hotel gave me lots of responsibilities and chances to do stuff alone. The teacher we had was really nice and helpful when we needed help building, sawing and using other tools.

Share

We shared our work with all the other groups and I think they liked our hotel, well at least I liked it. I enjoyed sharing it with everyone and hopefully I can share it with my family. Everyone's was really good as well and what made ours good was **TEAMWORK**. We will do a display and tell the rest of the school about it.



What I have learnt.....

I have learnt how to use secateurs, as I had to chop lots of twigs and leaves, and I learnt how to work as a group. I also learnt what to do when you are alone, like don't go off the paths. My favourite part was learning new things like, helping other groups. I also learnt how to use a shovel properly and use a rake. I had to make paths to our hotel and rake leaves out the way to clear out the area.

My next steps....

My next steps are: to use more communication and describe my thoughts to the team more than I did because I don't think they knew what I was on about. What our next steps are: to tell everyone where we are going so we don't think they have ditched us or been kidnapped. What I would do the same is to put 100% into building the bug house and I would do what I was told to do like I did.



*Thank you team for building the Travelog with Me, I loved building this with you.
I loved this John Muir experience*