

# Ravenshill Nature Rangers



Happy New Year to you all. We hope you are looking forward to getting back to school.

We haven't met since we had our fantastic but very noisy attempt at making bird boxes before Christmas. We hope you have been able to put them up in your garden. If you haven't you still have time to get them ready and on a tree/post before the birds start nesting - they will start looking for a new home very shortly. Why not bring pictures of where you have put your box and why you chose that spot - remember cats and squirrels like eggs and baby birds so think about its position very carefully.

Everyone agreed we could move our meetings to the **second** Sunday in each month which should work better when there are Bank Holidays. Usual meeting time is 10:30 - 12:30 at Ravenshill but there are some exceptions, so please put this newsletter somewhere where you can easily see it!

We hope you like the programme we have put together for this year as we have tried to include as many of your suggestions for activities you really enjoy.

DATE	ACTIVITY
9 January	Plant Trees at Alfrick Field. <b>Meet on the field at 10:00</b>
13 February	Camp Fire
13 March	Croak Croak - Ribbit Ribbit Toads on the move. Bring a Friend for FREE day (bring a friend today and your visit is free!)
10 April	Tracking with our special friend James
7 May (Saturday!)	The night sky with sausages! Meeting 6.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. (Parents welcome)
12 June	The Great Outdoors with special guest Darren
10 July	Mini bugs and beasties
14 August	As this is the school holidays please let us know if you are around and still want to have a meeting to do whatever you choose.
11 September	Knapp and Papermill visit <b>MEET AT K&amp;P Reserve</b>
9 October	Apple Day Bring a Friend for FREE day (bring a friend today and your visit is free!)
13 November	Autumn Treasure
11 December	'Tis the season of goodwill

We are going to have great fun making pancakes; collecting amphibians; hunting for treasure; looking after our wildlife and hoping that it doesn't rain for our evening in the woods checking out what is around after sunset.

Guess what - we had two feet of snow at Ravenshill over the holidays - take a look at this fab picture.



HA! HA!

Have any of you been looking out every Friday for Shaun's Nature Detectives challenge here:

<http://www.naturedetectives.org.uk/club/free>

There's a different challenge every Friday - has anyone joined the Club yet?

Bye for now Rangers

Trevor, Annette and Pauline



**We will meet on the second Sunday each month  
from 10.30 - 12.30**

At Ravenshill Woodland Reserve, Lulsley, WR6 5QP

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Email us your questions or tell us what you have seen in your garden,  
on your way to school or out in the park, the woods or wherever.