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# Welcome to our Winter newsletter!

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## Happy New Year!

We hope that you are refreshed and ready for all the fun and adventures that 2025 will bring. We are certainly ready at Whiteley Woods and looking forward to welcoming you all this year.

We're busy recruiting a new team member to join us, and creating new resources and activities for groups so you can get the best out of your time with us. Look out for our Outdoor Skills Day in February where you can learn or develop some great skills to share with your groups.

Here's to the temperatures warming up and those snowdrops and daffodils breaking through! 🌱

Thanks for your continued support and we can't wait to see you soon,

**Helen and Jill**  
**Joint Chairs of Trustees**

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## Come and work with us

We are recruiting a new Centre Assistant to join our team. The role will involve assisting with the day to day running of the site, which includes customer service, admin, cleaning and maintenance. The deadline for applications is 31st January and you can find out more [here](#).

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## New wildlife & nature activities coming soon!

Rose Tomson has been working with us over the winter to create some exciting new self led wildlife activities. We have such a fantastic site and we want to make sure young people have lots of opportunities to discover and explore the nature here.

Rose says "I've worked outdoors for the last 20 years, more recently as a Community Ranger and always connecting people with nature. I currently run my business Woodland Wellbeing with the aim of building confidence in children and adults to spend quality time in the outdoors; to help them experience the awe of natural processes, enhance wellbeing and encourage care for the environment.



We're aiming to launch the new activities in late spring so if you have a camp/residential booked with us make sure you keep an eye out for details. Lots of the activities will be perfect for evening visits too.

**Check out our [brochure](#) for more information about our self led activities.**

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## More adventures for more young people!

We know how much young people benefit from their adventures at our site and we're looking at ways of giving more children the opportunity to come here. We are extremely grateful to the **Sheffield Church Burgesses Educational Foundation** who have given us a grant to support this work. We'll be announcing more about these plans in the coming months!

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## Outdoor Skills Training Day

We still have a few places available for our Outdoor Skills Training Day next month.

We had great feedback from people who came last year so whether you're just getting started or want to improve your skills it should be a really enjoyable and useful experience! **Sign up [here](#).**



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## Making the most of your visit

We want to make your experience of staying with us as easy and enjoyable as possible. If your group has particular accessibility requirements we would encourage you to contact us before your visit so we can look at how best to meet your needs. If you need more information or support to plan your activities we are always happy to help! **Find out how to get in touch [here](#).**

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**Thanks for your continued support, we hope to see you soon!**  
**The Whiteley Woods OAC Team**

