

Children's Wood Newsletter

November/December 2019

Welcome to the November/December edition of the Newsletter

Let's start with a word from G20 Youth Festival @Festival G20

A young-person led youth club in Maryhill, we are G20 Youth Festival, and spend most of our time outdoors in nature and the community. We have just moved in to our indoor Youth House in Shuna Street, and would like to give a big thank you to all those who donated time, skills, furniture and equipment. We have put our own mark on our place with painting and decoration! However, there's still much to do and we're looking for donations of paint and equipment. Please get in touch if you can help: 07762 029663

Some Fabulous Upcoming Events (see overleaf for "Growing North Kelvin Meadow"):

Willow Lantern Making

Wednesday 23rd October 4-6pm.

The Youth
Base, Unit 3,
The
Quadrangle,
Shuna Street ■



Halloween on the meadow and wood

Saturday 26th October 5.00 pm.

Outdoor Lantern parade, storytelling, etc.

5.00 pm, baking, outdoor play, meet neighbours

6.00 pm Lantern Parade6:30pm Storytelling with Tam Dean

7pm bicycle generator and outdoor screening ■

Hocus Pocus indoor screening

28th October 5.00pm

G20 Youth House presents a Halloween movie night: Hocus Pocus! (Family friendly) £5 per ticket. A night not to be missed! Food and drinks will also be on sale! *Please note, all proceeds will be going towards supporting the youth club Unit 3, The quadrangle, Shuna Street, G20 9PX.

Volunteer Action Day

2nd November. 10.00am-4.00pm

Join Christine at the community garden for growing, planting and maintenance jobs around the land.

Also 2nd November,
TELL IT TO THE BEES
see overleaf. ■

Upcycle and Fixit Cafe

November 10th 2-4pm

Bring electrical goods or clothes to repair. Our team of skilled volunteers will help you to fix things and learn new skills at the same time.

Enjoy a cup of tea and cake at our community cafe.

Unit 3, The quadrangle, Shuna Street, G20 9PX■

FURTHER DETAILS OVERLEAF

Scotland has passed the climate change bill with the world's most ambitious targets

Following months of protests in Scotland and around the world the Climate Change Bill, was approved by MSPs at the Scottish Parliament, committing the country to achieving net-zero emissions by 2045. After pressure from opposition parties and environmental campaigners, the legislation was amended at the 11th hour to include an interim target of reducing emissions by 75 per cent by 2030 and 90 per cent by 2040.

Marathon Fundraiser

This year Colm Keegan turns 30 and wants to celebrate by running the Dublin Marathon, while raising funds for G20 Youth Festival.

"To everyone who donates, thank you so, so much. I've seen the work that happens with the G20 Youth Festival first-hand and I can assure you it's worth it."

Colm bit.ly/SponsorColm



Weekly activities

Tuesday:

Open play 9am-3pm Gardening 10am - 4pm

Wednesday:

Gardening 10am - 4pm Playgroup 10am - 12.00

Friday:

Playgroup 11am - 1 pm Outdoor Intergenerational Club 10am-12.00

DONATE

A small monthly donation to the CW will make a real difference locally in community, the youth club, resources for vulnerable young people, gardeners, community events and much more sort code: 87-37-16 a/c number: 89162068

'Like a sunburn on your lungs': the climate crisis and health:

The Center for Climate, Health and the Global Environment at Harvard University says the climate crisis is making people sicker - worsening illnesses from **allergies** to **heart and lung disease**.. Children, pregnant women and the elderly are the most at risk from extreme weather and rising heat. For example, as temperatures increase, plants produce more pollen for longer periods of time, intensifying the **allergy seasons**. Increased concentrations of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere can make plants grow more and cause more grass pollen, which causes allergies in about 20% of people. Carbon dioxide can also increase the allergy-causing effects of pollen.

Extreme weather events, including hurricanes, floods and wildfires, often cause physical injuries. Doctors see minor fractures, crush injuries and smoke inhalation. Extreme heat is also linked with aggression and violence, and the climate crisis globally is connected with violent conflict and forced migration.

It has long been a tradition to "TELL IT TO THE BEES " when someone has died.

In this event we imagine that the bees will take your message and fly it up to the heavens.

Bring the qualities, jokes, images or antics that you remember about someone you loved. You can describe a human, a pet, or way of being that has died. Write draw, bring a photo, design a message or describe your loved one on a flag for our bunting, then plant a crocus bulb in the labyrinth near the Beedookit, in their memory.

In February, when the crocus are flowering and provide the first pollens for the honeybees in the Beedookit, we will hang the bunting up. People can then walk the crocus filled labyrinth and read about, or remember the loved ones. ■



Saturday 2nd November

11am-1pm and 2pm-4pm

At The Beedookit, The Childrens Wood/ North Kelvin Meadow

Upcycle and Fixit Café November 10th 2.00-4.00 pm

This is the first in a series of events designed to support you in fixing broken items. Join our team of volunteer experts who will support you in repairing items. We will focus on electronics and clothing for the first event. But please get in touch with other ideas, or if you have the skills to support specific repair jobs. On the day we will have a small bistro offering food for sale, run by volunteers. All proceeds will go back to our community initiative.

At our event there will be volunteers who can generally improve slow functioning or non-functioning PC/s by e.g. cleaning up hard discs, providing new operating systems etc. More information to follow.

Our phone, screen and battery man says: "if new parts are likely to be required for something like a phone (a broken screen or a battery that has gone flat) then send us pictures and we can advise what pieces you need to get in before the session. Please name clearly the model of the phone. A new phone screen is often only a £10 - £20 compared to buying a new phone at £100's of pounds." childrenswood@gmail.com

Spooky youth strike

Friday, 25 October 2019 George Square, 11AM-2PM



It's Halloween.

Let's use this chance to bring to light how scary our future is. We encourage you to come to this strike in costume.

On September 20th, we saw over 40,000 people in Scotland, and 7 million worldwide taking to the streets to demand climate justice from our governments showing that the tide has turned on climate justice.

The Scottish Government passed it's new Climate Change Bill shortly after, but we were extremely disappointed to see the targets it outlines are far from radical enough. We must be carbon neutral by 2030, and we must provide a just transition. Strike with us and tell the Scottish Government that they aren't doing enough. ■

Appointment of Child Trafficking Guardians: Consultation ends Nov 19th

The Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 received Royal Assent on 4 November 2015.

The Act places a duty on Scottish Ministers to make arrangements for an Independent Child Trafficking Guardian (ICTG) to be appointed for a child who is believed may already be, or is at risk of becoming, a victim of human trafficking and for whom no-one in the UK has parental rights or responsibilities. This means that all children and young people who arrive in Scotland unaccompanied and who will have undergone an arduous migration alone, are considered to being at risk of having been trafficked or becoming trafficked and would be referred to the ICTG for support.

A Scottish Government **consultation** will inform what regulations and guidance will cover and help to design the role of independent child trafficking guardians and a national service to support the role. If you would like to participate, the form can be found here:

https://consult.gov.scot/looked-after-childrenunit/independent-child-trafficking-guardians/

