



Friends of the Foss Fairy Trail



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Since our last Newsletter we have been working through winter to hopefully provide a fresh spring experience down the trail and come up with some fun ideas for events for children. Both the Heworth Ward and the Police and Fire Commission have provided some funding we have used this to plant 50 ferns, purchasing of tool for maintenance and also paint and glue which will be used to maintain and produce more fairy houses. A huge thank you our funders for helping sustain the trail!

We are making some progress with surfacing of the pathway. We are also looking to get a survey and plan for mobility access to work with York City Council.



Easter Treasurehunt

We held a little Easter Treasurehunt over Easter. It was great to see the children getting excited to find their Easter eggs! Thanks to all of you who joined in the fun, and great to see families get together at these events!

We intend to hold a fairy door workshop over summer, so keep an eye out for the date!



Maintenance work Community Payback have been an amazing resource over the past year. Without them we would not have been able to carryout the larger tasks such as wood chip laying, deadwood hedging and large clearances in the woodland! Well done to the CP teams and supervisors!!!

We will continue to work with them going forward. Just to note, if anyone knows of any tree surgeons that can supply wood chips please email us:

thefossfairytrail@gmail.com



Wildlife news - Interactive Bug house!

Henry Boot Construction have offered their services for a day in May. They will be helping construct a large interactive bug house near the little stream, keep an eye out for it!!!

Haxby Road School attend on the same day. The children will be helping make some fairy houses for the Fairy Glen and making fairy ladders for the woodland, as well as some other fun activities.

You may have noticed in the woodland a hedgehog den and hotel; we will be continuing to work towards making the woodland a small nature area but incorporating fun items for the children.



Events to look out for

We will be holding a Nature Festival on Saturday 27th April, this will be an event linked in with the City Nature Challenge and is aimed at getting children to notice nature around us. We will also be holding a Tree Festival on Saturday 29th June. This will be an event to celebrate trees and their beauty.



Adult events?

If anyone has any ideas about the use of the fairy trail for any adult events please get in contact with us. Maybe you know a crafting group or meditation group that could take advantage of the area? The more the trail is used the less it is likely to be subject to anti-social behaviour!

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