

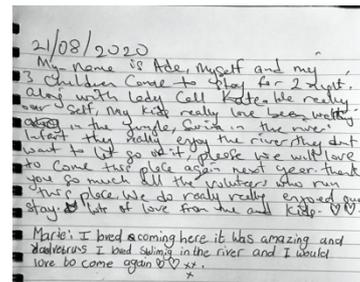
Newsletter – September 2020

Welcome to the seventh Beasley Back Dane Trust Newsletter¹.

Since our last newsletter in June we have started bringing Back Dane back out of hibernation and have been able to welcome 3 individual families to the building. One family visited via the Burntwood & Lichfield Autism Support Together organisation and two families visited through the City of Sanctuary UK organisation that helps people fleeing violence and persecution in their own countries.

There are so many families with young children that have been cooped up throughout lock down so the need for a charity such as ours to offer respite to those in need has become more necessary than ever. The children who visited Back Dane loved having the freedom to run around and explore a new environment.

The comments here are from one of the families that stayed.



Volunteers continued to work on behalf of the charity on things like cleaning, building and garden maintenance and decorating the bedrooms. We also had curtains hung in the large activity room contributed in part by a grant we received.

Face Masks

A local volunteer is making face masks with a contribution from every sale going to the Back Dane Trust, if you would like to buy one please email Lisa at lisa@tatty-bogle.co.uk. They are cotton, double layered with elastic fastenings, £6 each. Some of the fabric options are shown right:



The Environment Around Back Dane

The sensory garden has developed well over the summer, benefitting from the rain we've had and the woodland has been a haven for a variety of animals spotted via our automatic sensor cameras (eg foxes, red deer, badgers).

The two pairs of pied flycatchers both successfully reared young in our nest boxes and red kites have recently been spotted above the house.



¹ This newsletter (and other news) is published on <http://backdane.co.uk/news.html>