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# ARTHOG NEWSLETTER

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Despite the pressures of the Covid-19 pandemic, Telford & Wrekin Council's Arthog Outdoor Education Centres have ensured school children have still been able to get out and about, taking on challenges such as archery, climbing and canoeing.

In some of the most difficult circumstances in living memory, the teams from Arthog Wales, Arthog Outreach and Sky Reach High Ropes have kept outdoor education an enjoyable reality for youngsters across Telford and Shropshire.

Exploring the local fields and hedges, to make fire and hedgerow tea, walking up the Wrekin to explore its place in history, climbing and walking at Llanymynech, Grinshill, and Corbett Woods.

Team-building and tower climbing days were held on school grounds, while groups of children were taken on walks up Limekiln Lane and into Short Wood for a Stone Age experience which even included tracking the deer.

Sarah Staniforth, acting head teacher at SS Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School, said: "Arthog Outreach offered us the opportunity to plan outdoor and adventurous activities that could happen locally."

"The cherry on top of the cake for me was to see the Arthog Wales instructors at school collecting children for a day of fun adventures and children returning at the end of the day full of excitement and stories of what they had been up to."

Any school interested in finding out more about Arthog activities or making a booking should email [adventure@telford.gov.uk](mailto:adventure@telford.gov.uk)



Our new  
 "Welcome to Arthog"  
 Front Door



Jasper & Ben arriving for work at Arthog Outreach.





## What's been happening at Arthog?

We have been busy at Arthog, not only creating and adapting our activity programme, but also developing both our inside and outside facilities.

A new team task challenge for 2021!!



This is the final stages our new amphitheatre or "Arthogitheatre" which will have it's own Fire pit, and with enough seating space for a class size group!



270 saplings have been planted!



The dorms have been repainted in new colours, and we have added a splash of brightness throughout the building with our new locker colours!!



We've been busy too behind the scenes, by working with the Telford & Wrekin Council ICT team with the development of a brand new online booking system. It is being tested at the moment, and we hope to launch it this Spring Term. This will enable schools to have their own log in account, and to co-ordinate their booking to Arthog online.

### ROLL ON 2021....

## We can't wait to see our schools return to Arthog!!!



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