Report from the Green and Environment Group, November 2024

Bat walk event on the 11th October

The walk started with an introduction by Doug Owen on what to look and listen for and how to use a bat detector. We were able to identify Common and Soprano Pipistrelles and a Noctule bat was also detected. An enjoyable experience and good to see so many children enthusiastic to experience wildlife. At the end of the walk in Ashby church, warm drinks, bat biscuits and bat cupcakes were served.
Our thanks to Ashby church wardens and Suffolk Wildlife Trust for the loan of the bat detectors.

The Monday Hub on the 2nd December

We plan to show how to help our winter wildlife to survive, explain a bit about the wonders of bird migration and possibly produce a small fun quiz for the attenders of the Monday Morning Hub.

Recycling

Recycling of the Tetra Paks continues with the help of a great team of volunteers.

Narcissi Bulbs

We have heard from ESC 's first 'East Suffolk Blooms' scheme that we were not successful this year in receiving any bulbs, however, we have received a small packet of Biffa Bee seed.

Future plans:

Relating to Dark Skies, we are also planning to run a Star Count Event in the February half term 2025, at Somerleyton Church.
The Campaign for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE) help co-ordinate these events across the country.
This will be particularly targeted at families with children. Likewise, this event will be weather dependent.

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