



Sustainability in the Early Years

Section A

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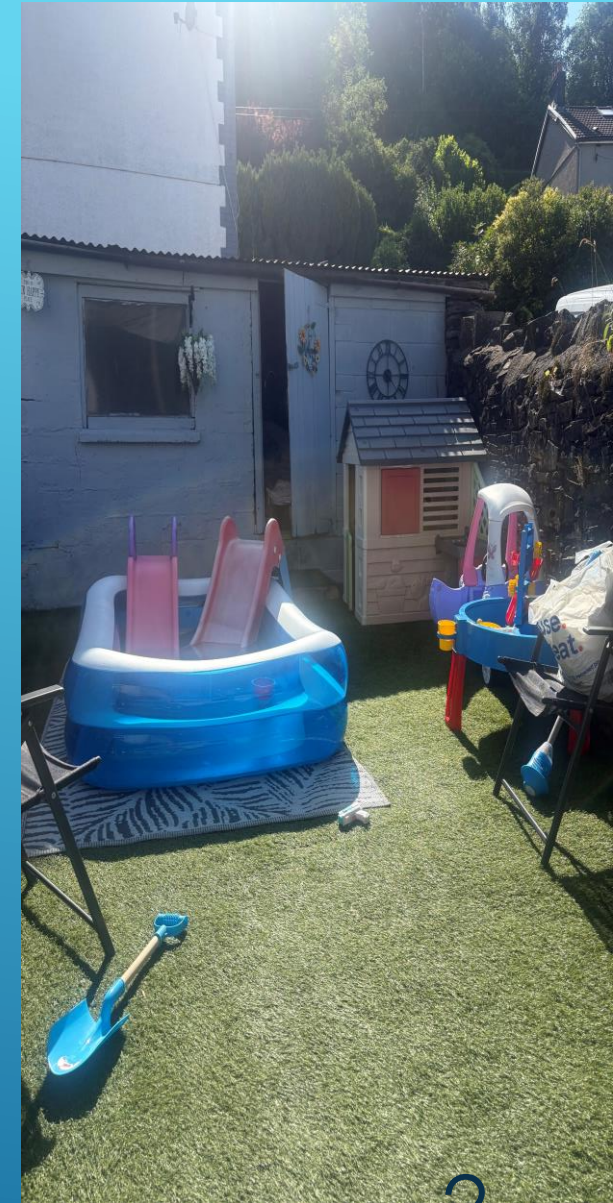
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Discover:

As a child I did not have a garden in my house to play in or learn about the environment.

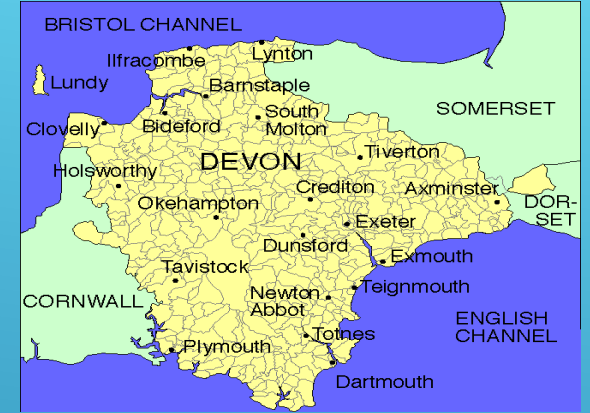
Therefore, I wanted a garden to let my children grow up in and have knowledge of the environment and how they can contribute to keep our environment sustainable and contribute positively to the environment.

I now have a garden where my children can go out and explore and we also have a caravan which backs onto a forest where my children can explore the wildlife, it is also near a beach where the children can explore different environments and different animals. By including the John Muir award throughout my assignment, it has given me the incentive to actually explore the environments I have access too and to learn about them.



Discovering the Areas Around Me:

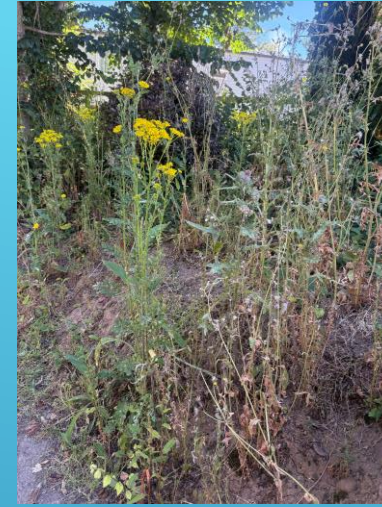
Throughout Devon and Exmouth where our caravan is we are lucky to have such natural views and natural resources to access, we are able to access a beautiful forest on the back of our caravan where we regularly see wild rabbits coming up the side, we regularly take walks through the forests which have homes to bug hotels and resources for the birds, such as, bird feeders. These views encourage my family and I to regularly take walks and get involved with nature as we do not always have these opportunities at home.



Explore:

Exploring the areas around our caravan and local places to visit has allowed us to look at the opportunities our caravan site has for wildlife, our caravan is a safe and clean environment for both families and family pets, however it also does its utmost to provide opportunities for the local wildlife to thrive.

It has lots of forestry and trees and paths that are restricted to the public to reserve the wildlife's environment and give them the privacy that they are entitled to. Due to being inspired by our site we have also provided opportunities at our caravan to support wildlife, my son and I built a bug hotel to leave under our caravan for the bugs, we also built bird feeders which we have hung at the back to feed the birds.

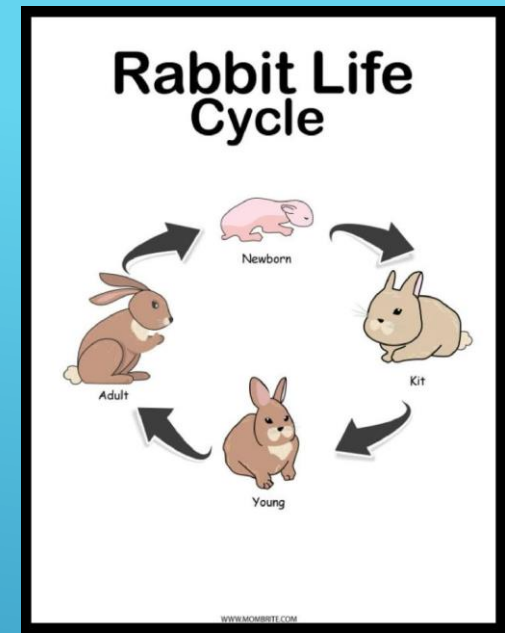


Things We Have Found Whilst Exploring Our Caravan:



My family and I love to explore the caravan just to see what new opportunities they provide to the wildlife every time. My children love to see the wild rabbits come to the side of the caravan every day and enjoy leaving them small plates of chopped carrots.

Family of rabbits:



This family of rabbits regularly visit daily and just roam on the grass around the caravan, we feed him small plates of carrots every now and then to help support them. Their small burrow is behind our caravan where they come up and down of, my children love to watch them do this.

Conserve:

Throughout this assignment and including the John Muir Award throughout has encouraged me and given me to know the knowledge of going and spending time going outside and the effects it has on us not just physically but mentally too. By being outside and having an interest and knowledge in it, it encourages my children on how they can be sustainable in the environment and teach them how to care for the environment.

My son and I made changes to our environment, such as, building a bug hotel and bird feeders to help conserve the environment around us and keeping the wildlife coming back. My son really enjoyed taking part in these activities with me and was a huge part of helping me to complete the award.



Conclusion:

Having our caravan has given my family and I so much more freedom to spend time outdoors and learn about nature and spend time with nature and help to develop it. My children have really enjoyed getting hands on with me and it has been nice to encourage them and teach them new things on how to be sustainable.

