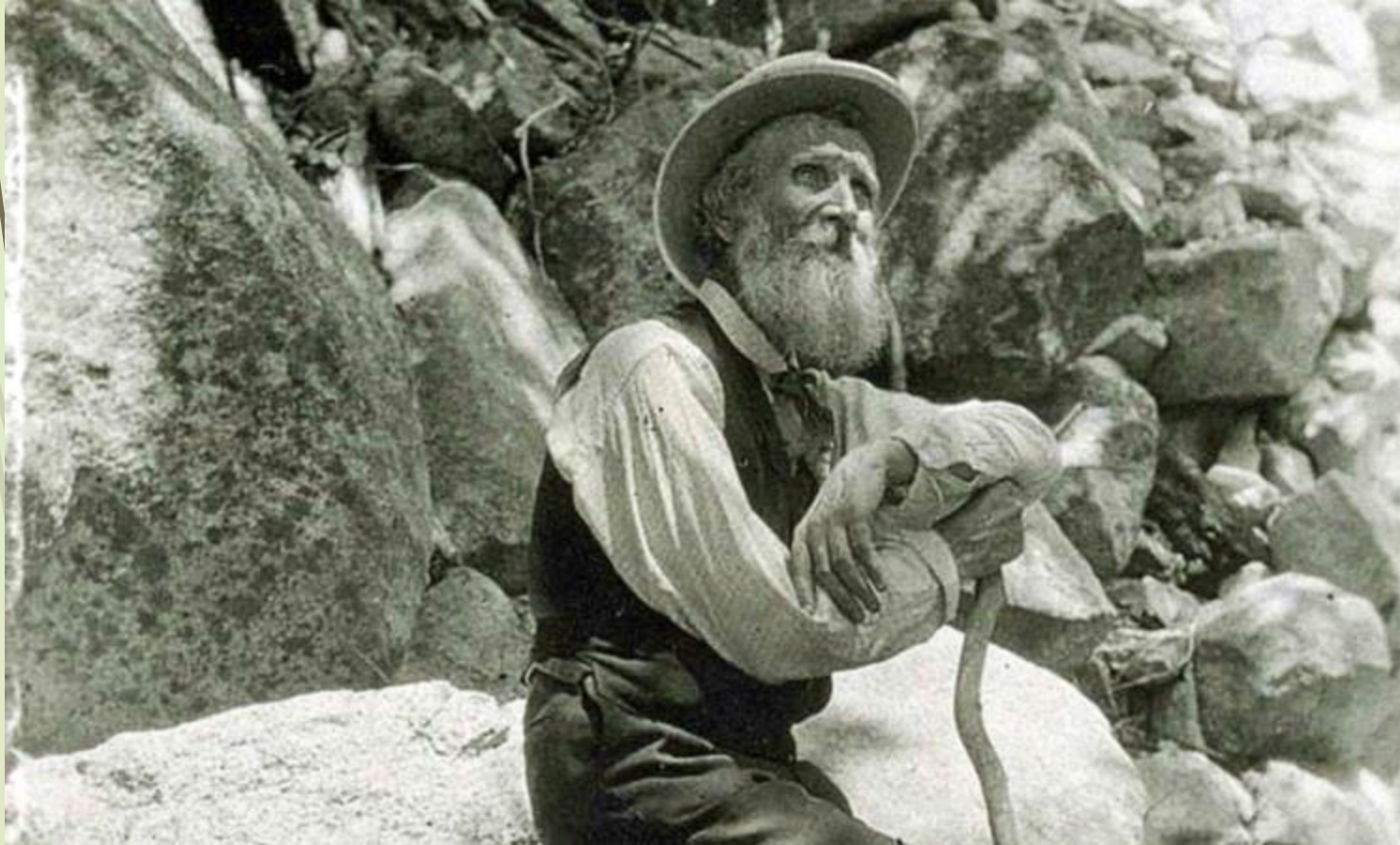


A vibrant rainbow arches across a dark, overcast sky. Below the rainbow is a lush green field. Scattered across the field are several old tires, some of which are stacked or arranged in a way that suggests an outdoor activity or obstacle course. In the background, there are trees and a small wooden structure, possibly a shed or a playhouse. The overall scene is a mix of natural beauty and human-made elements.

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John Muir



(source: johnmuirtrust.org)

John Muir (1838–1914), the Scots-born pioneer of the contemporary conservation movement, is the inspiration behind the John Muir Award.

Wild areas were Muir's passion. He investigated them, wrote about them, and ran a campaign to keep them safe. Muir supported the preservation of natural areas for their own sake as well as the welfare of both people and animals. (John Muir Trust, no date).



GAP (Go And Play)

Discover

I have chosen GAP (Go And Play) as this is a community project in which I have the pleasure of working for as a Play Assistant.

GAP is an open access project that offers natural play opportunities for children and young people to be creative and use their imagination.

GAP emphasizes the importance of allowing children to explore and discover within nature and its beautiful surroundings. The role of the Play Assistant is to support the children with their discoveries but to ensure that they are always safe in doing so.



Explore



Making dens from different materials



Encouraging the safe use of materials such as hammer and nails



Promoting many methods of play such as imaginative, active, roleplay, constructive, physical and adventure.



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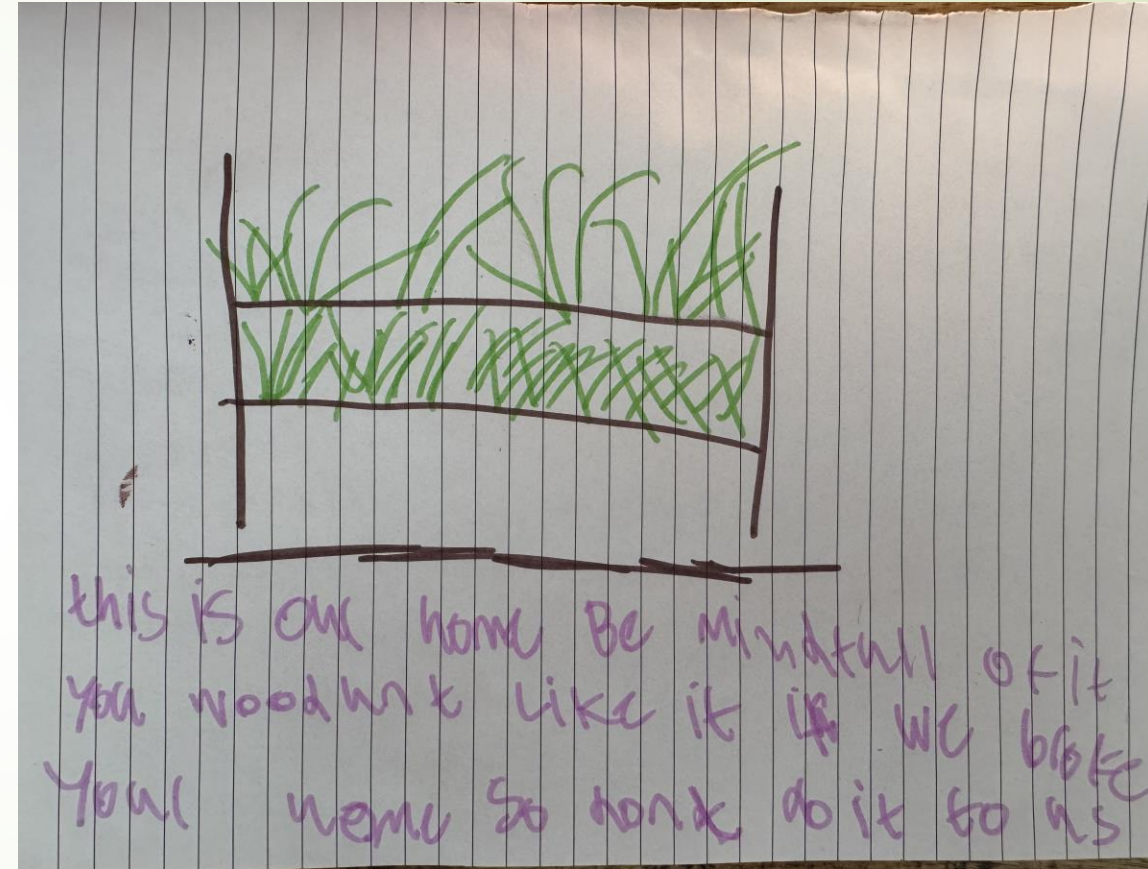
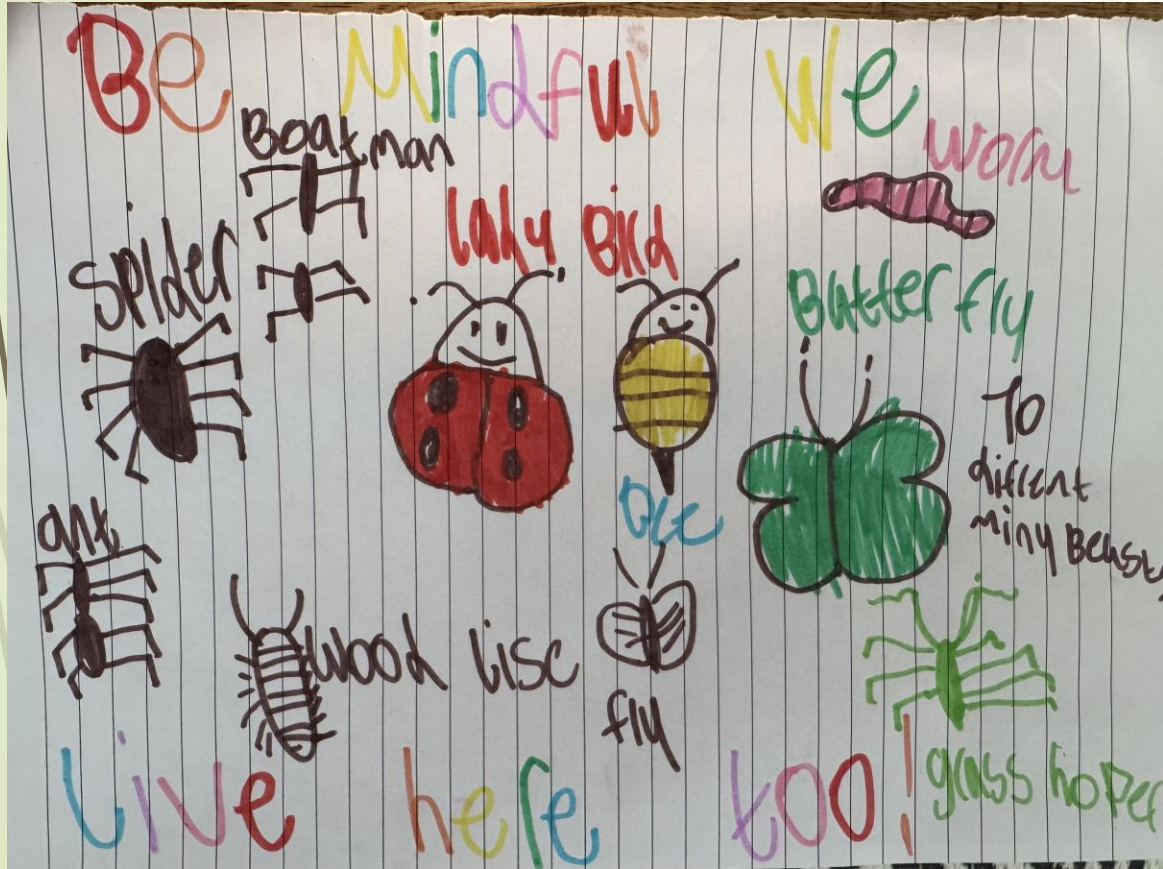
Conserve



By raising awareness of the wildlife that live within the field it enables the children to use their imaginations to create safe places or homes for the animals to live. Such as making bee hives and bug houses. This provides the animals some security and a safe place to reside when needed.



Share



Getting the children involved is a great way to raise awareness of the need to conserve and protect the wildlife such as allowing the children to create posters and visuals that can be placed around the field.



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