

## Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2019

The sun has opened the Crocuses and they shine. The Silver Birches are becoming more established in the woodland. In this garden, they have a coppery colour too. Magnificent against the blue sky. Further into the woodland there is a pretty double Snowdrop right next to a clump of Viola. Celandine shows its brightness and refuses to be 'outdone' by the Crocus preferring its orange stamen.



The Wallflowers make a stunning pattern with the promise of flowers to come. The Christmas Roses (Hellebores) have been flowering for the last three weeks.

A family sat on one of the carved benches today. They needed to move tables and chairs to accommodate all the adults and children. Wednesday in February half term will hold memories for them, sitting in the sun, the sound of running water in the pond and the buzzing of White-tailed Bumblebees. Because the garden is in a dip, it can be a haven.

We hope you will come up and make some memories here soon.

The Hengistbury Head Gardeners