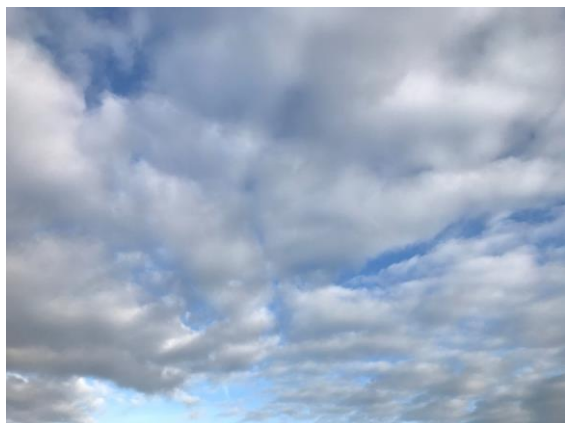


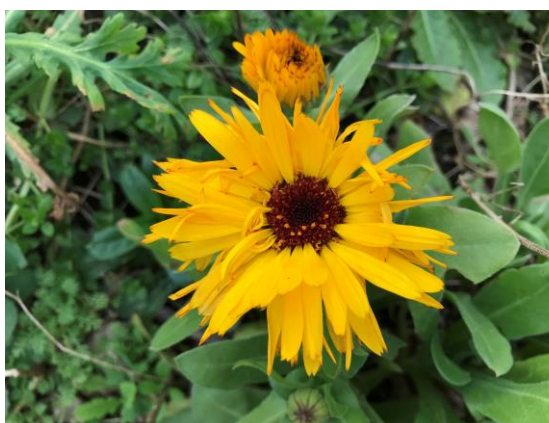
## Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020

The clouds this morning were beautiful: scudding and 'fleecy'. It's uplifting to look up.

You may have been following the blog and noted that when Fibonacci was mentioned I couldn't remember what pattern had been the inspiration. The first spiral of the Christmas tree was the motivation. Cutting the tree to recycle, I keep the top spiral. It's always a wheel of five in an almost perfect circle. Have a look next year.



The meadow is being weeded in readiness for seed sowing once the frost has past. We are clearing the grass around Corncockle plantlets, borage and poppies. The Marigolds cheerfully present their yellow/orange blooms. The *Iris reticulata* have been flowering for the last four weeks. Their colour and markings are becoming deeper and more detailed. They look spectacular with the sun on them.



Through the woodland area the snowdrops are out. Pulmonaria have flowers that are both sapphire blue and amethyst pink. The Vinca, Periwinkle, in the background look very purple in the sunshine. It's true that plants do need to be kept in the places we want them. This is a wildlife friendly garden. However, if we left them the stronger plants would shade and crowd out others which we wish to see. So, the Periwinkle and the Michaelmas Daisies will be kept back to allow the Cerinthe to flower in the brighter areas of the garden.

Just a note on well-being and mindfulness. We have had a refreshing morning digging the soil in the fresh air. There has been the occasional pause to take stock of this beautiful morning. How glad we are to be here to the tune of birdsong.

**The volunteer gardeners at HH Wildlife Garden**