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Reconnecting with our World

As we develop the Discover Filey Project, our team has now provided education about Filey's natural marine environment to over 450 schoolchildren and hundreds of family members and visitors. We have learnt and amended our lesson plans to support the different groups and have become increasingly aware of the extreme disconnect between our children and their environment. An appreciation of the natural world and a grounding in heritage is essential to a balanced society. In this context the fact that less than a handful of more than 450 children aged between 6 and 9 years has been able to identify an edible crab is worrying. The same children are experts on the TV cartoon character Spongebob Squarepants and the creatures of 'Bikini Bottom' including Patrick the Starfish, Plankton and 'Squidward'.

Teachers do a great job but are bound by the National Curriculum and have limited time to educate pupils about the natural world. Parents are increasingly committed to work and serving the needs of an IT dependent society. Our Government appears aware of these problems and have recently published a White Paper entitled [the Natural Choice - securing the value of nature](#) which can be downloaded on the internet. As our project develops many of our aims are to address some of these issues.



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Discover FAQ's

Things you needed to ask

1. Who are we

A consortium of local voluntary groups involved in Community Enterprise, Ornithology, Sailing, Marine Biology, Marine Archaeology and Local heritage. We include representatives from Filey Town Council and Scarborough Borough Council. The Environmental Regeneration Charity Groundwork is providing their expertise.

2. What are our aims

To provide education and information about our local Heritage and environment in a way that enhances the experience and lives of visitors and our community

3. How will we achieve our aims

By working with Local Councils and grant funders to provide a website and field studies and interpretative facilities, eventually based in a building on Filey's Country Park.

Rainy Days - The case for a permanent Shelter



Of the thirty seven days of events planned for the year, three have been cancelled so far due to the unseasonal prolonged heavy rain and high winds, which make pitching our Tipi classroom too dangerous. Thankfully none of the cancelled events have involved a visiting school group and the cancelled event with a local school was carried out in a classroom.

Last week one of our contacts who works on the seafront, reported more than 300 school visitors there walking around in heavy rain. Such weather highlights the need for a permanent sheltered place, near the shore for school groups and families to resort to. Our group continues to work to that end and once we have had several recent meetings to progress the scheme. As soon as concrete funded proposals are in place, news will be available on these pages.

Local councils have been very supportive and we have every reason to be optimistic about the possibility of providing a building through grants and a future asset transfer.



Filey CE Infants - 'thank you card'



The Filey Tide Tables on the next page are produced under licence by the Admiralty Hydrographic Office. Please Note that the times are to Universal Time (GMT).

ADD AN HOUR TO THE PREDICTED HEIGHT DURING THE PERIOD OF BRITISH SUMMER TIME FROM SUNDAY 25th MARCH

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Family Fun Day - seaweed fun

On yet another unseasonably cold day on 2nd day our Tipi tent was a warm and welcome haven for Family Fun day in the garden of St Johns Church, Filey. Part of the proceeds from the day went towards funding a wild flower meadow project with our local infants school.

Two of our volunteers were dressed in period costume to illustrate the life of Victorian Yorkshire Seaweed expert Margaret Gatty. Those who missed the fun can meet Mrs Gatty again on Yorkshire day 1st August on Filey sea front near the novelty golf course between 11am and 3pm.

Details of our other public events are advertised on our website. An event on the evening of 12th August with the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust includes a search for Moths and birdlife at Flamborough .

Seashore Things

Here are a couple of samples of ironstone, which can occasionally be found in our coastal area and once supported a local industry, providing iron ore for smelting. If you find piece it will be noticeably heavier than an equivalent piece of similar rock. Our geologist Ray (whose samples these are) says that the white striations of one stone are parts of fossil shell included in the stone during the early Jurassic period.



JULY 2012 FILEY BAY TIDE TIMES HEIGHTS ABOVE CHART DATUM

TIMES IN GMT (UT) REMBER TO ADD AN HOUR FOR ACTUAL TIME

High Water			Low Water		
Date	Morning Time m	Afternoon Time m	Morning Time m	Afternoon Time m	
1 SU	01 25 5.3	13 56 5.4	07 44 1.6	20 18 1.4	
2 M	02 25 5.4	14 58 5.6	08 50 1.3	21 20 1.1	
3 TU	03 20 5.7	15 54 5.7	09 50 0.9	22 15 1.0	
4 W	04 10 5.7	16 46 5.8	10 45 0.6	23 05 0.9	
5 TH	04 57 5.9	17 35 5.8	11 35 0.5	23 52 1.0	
6 F	05 42 5.9	18 21 5.7		12 22 0.4	
7 SA	06 25 5.8	19 05 5.6	00 36 1.1	13 05 0.6	
8 SU	07 07 5.7	19 49 5.4	01 16 1.3	13 46 0.9	
9 M	07 51 5.6	20 34 5.3	01 56 1.5	14 27 1.3	
10 TU	08 38 5.4	21 21 5.1	02 36 1.9	15 09 1.6	
11 W	09 29 5.2	22 13 4.9	03 22 2.3	15 56 2.0	
12 TH	10 29 5.0	23 12 4.8	04 16 2.5	16 52 2.4	
13 F	11 36 4.9		05 22 2.7	17 58 2.5	
14 SA	00 17 4.8	12 44 4.9	06 32 2.5	19 04 2.4	
15 SU	01 20 5.0	13 47 5.0	07 35 2.3	20 01 2.3	
16 M	02 15 5.1	14 39 5.1	08 29 2.0	20 49 2.0	
17 TU	03 00 5.3	15 24 5.3	09 16 1.6	21 33 1.8	
18 W	03 39 5.4	16 03 5.4	09 58 1.4	22 12 1.6	
19 TH	04 14 5.5	16 40 5.5	10 38 1.1	22 49 1.4	
20 F	04 49 5.6	17 16 5.6	11 16 1.0	23 26 1.4	
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22 SU	05 58 5.7	18 31 5.6	00 05 1.3	12 34 0.8	
23 M	06 35 5.7	19 12 5.5	00 42 1.3	13 12 0.9	
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25 W	08 02 5.6	20 46 5.3	02 00 1.6	14 38 1.3	
26 TH	08 57 5.4	21 42 5.2	02 47 1.8	15 29 1.5	
27 F	10 03 5.3	22 47 5.1	03 46 2.0	16 31 1.9	
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