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## North Hull Rainbow Community Garden

Green Flag award winning community garden

Welcome to our new look newsletter, we hope to bring you the latest information on the garden quarterly please forward to anyone you think may find this interesting, we will do our best to keep you informed and hopefully entertained!

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Let's take you back to the end of October to....

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## Halloween



We had a fabulous Halloween craft day. The kids made a choice of a room on the broom witch, a funky spider or a pine cone Bat and in some cases all 3, there was also some individual designs. After lunch we played a game of knock the scary, tin cans down and some of the brave kids had a go at Apple bobbing. It was a fun, chilled out session with everyone joining in, all the kid's took a balloon and some sweets home and the weather was perfect for our last childrens craft session of the year.

your a star!

## Remembrance Service - Oppy Wood



In November we completed our annual Remembrance Service at Oppy Wood, Danepark Road. We didn't manage to get a vicar for the service so our Operations Manager stood in and took the service, thanks Alan you did a great job. Thank you to everyone who turned up and a special thanks to Northern Hull Area Team for helping us out with the litter picks and the service, and Councillors Rosie Nicola, Gary Wareing and Deborah Matthews.

🌸 They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old  
 Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn  
 At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will  
 remember them 🌸

A week before the service we tidied up and had a litter pick, although a small turnout we managed to grab quite lot of rubbish. The trees are looking great and some pretty little flowers are peeping through.



## Messy Play Sessions @ Rainbow Garden

We are interested in your views! please fill out our short two question survey on our Messy Play provision at the garden so we can accomodate your needs the best we can!

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## Christmas Fun!



We had a fantastic table centre decs/wreath making session in December. It was a great turn out, with volunteers/service users and friends of the garden attending. There was lots of chat and laughter and always with the Rainbow Garden a bit of singing. The children had a great time as well. There was some great creations  
A massive thanks to Unity in the Community for allowing us to use their community room at 501

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During the winter season there is plenty our service users to to help keep the garden looking great and lots of tidying, painting and preparation for the growing season. We had Melanie collect some willow which we harvest every year and Paul, Alan and Jenny doing a great job on the maintenance of the garden even in the cold!



We continue to spruce up the garden, one of our regular service users weeded and swept the block paving, our very own Rocky Robin kept coming to visit him whilst he was doing it. Joe continued to weed and a great job he makes of it too. Jenny weeded containers and pots and Paul finished off painting the arch. Alan chopped up the Ivy that I've been pruning back. Thanks everyone, you all do a great job!

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## Dad's Club - Have your Say

We are planning a dads group to bring together any father figures and their children through engaging activities in the new year at Rainbow Garden its hoped to be a mix of craft, building, art and tinkering, we value your opinion to help us decide on the right mix of things to do and when is a good time.

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Blue sky Monday, we welcomed one of our volunteers back, he did a great job of weeding! Brenda tied in some more of the willow arch. Paul continued to paint the trellis, he's now painted both sides great job!

We had one of our service users in this afternoon who also wanted to do some painting. She painted one of the smaller trellis that's on the fence it's looking good! Sarah popped in with her children to collect some willow, have fun making willow hearts! The local cat enjoying the January sun!

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If you want to get involved we have a number of volunteer sessions, a women's group a kids after school group and messy play sessions, get in contact via our facebook page:- [www.facebook.com/rainbowgardenhull](https://www.facebook.com/rainbowgardenhull) or email [info@rainbowgarden.org.uk](mailto:info@rainbowgarden.org.uk)



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