



Know Your Neighbourhood Barnsley Sea Cadets

Map Reading on the TPT!

Here at Barnsley Sea Cadets we help our young members the chance to learn life skills through experimental adventure. What's that you say? Well it can be in many forms....rowing, windsurfing, paddle boarding, map reading....and many more. All these skills help the young people to grow and become independent in a safe and monitored way. Sometimes we even get the opportunity to organise residential trips and even international travels.

The funding from Know Your Neighbourhoods (via TPT office) gave us a super opportunity to get 10 of our members out onto the Trail to learn some map reading. Sadly this isn't done as often as it should be with our youngsters of today but it helps to give them confidence in taking a map and go and explore the countryside – sometimes that's even right on their doorstep!

On the day we split into three groups; Junior Cadets, Senior Cadets and Marine Cadets. The Junior Cadets gathered information about local wildlife that they can now use as part of their Earth Shot Challenge and made biodegradable bird feeders that they could use at home.

The Senior Cadets looked at how people with disabilities could make use of the Trans Pennine Trail and what this would mean to them. After, they also created a programme of disabled friendly activities such as bird watching, foraging and mini-walks for the local community.

The Marine Cadets did map reading as part of their core training so they could use a map and work out how to get from A to B via their map of the TPT.

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed all the events and have said that they'd love to see how we can help keep this programme running and look at other tasks that they may be able to do next year such as tree planting or litter picking.

As an organisation this funding has given us such a unique opportunity to hold the events we have but also to look at how we can build on this programme, which is great for us as leaders but also our young members.

Thank you to everyone for giving us this chance – from all Barnsley Sea Cadets.

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Aim of the Organisation:	<p>Barnsley Sea Cadets is a youth development organisation that offers young people the opportunities to learn life skills through experiential adventure. They enable young people to slowly grow and become independent in a safe and monitored way as well as enabling young people to go on residential trips and national and international voyages. Through rowing, windsurfing and paddle boarding they facilitate young people to learn soft skills that stand them in good stead when they are looking for employment, for example communication, leadership, strategy and how to be team players. All their young people have a basic knowledge of First Aid, and in many cases have saved lives - see more -</p> <p>https://www.barnsleychronicle.com/article/15671/cadet-taylor-shows-her-skills-to-help-at-accident</p>
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