

Helensburgh Woodlands Group - REDACTED

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To: REDACTED

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Hello Mr. REDACTED, my name is REDACTED and I teach at Hermitage Primary School in Helensburgh. I understand that you are trying to take ownership of Castle Woods and the open ground at Cumberland Avenue. This year I am developing outdoor learning across the school and as a result of Duchess Woods being deemed unsafe I am very interested and excited by your plans. During the summer I completed my Woodland Leader training and I am looking for an area of woodland where I can teach range of skills to the children. Across any given week I take 400 children outdoors so establishing contact with you is very helpful for me to move forward with the activities and objectives that I will be focussing on. In terms of outdoor the lessons will be cross curricular where possible but will have a focus on the following subject areas.

Plants and Trees

Animals – Squirrels / birds etc..

Foraging and Ethnobotany

Tool Use

Mini Beasts and Eco Systems

Animal Tracks and Signs

Safe Fire use

Conservation – Biological Records, Scottish Access Code and Leave No Trace

Den building

Knots and tarps

Pond Dipping

If these areas were to become community assets then we would like to utilise them in this way to enhance the teaching and learning of the children.

Let me know what you think of my plans! Looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours Sincerely,

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