

Thu 30/10/2025 08:31

Dear Colleagues,

### **Blue Earth Summit**

Staff from marketing and biodiversity recently attended the [Blue Earth Summit](#) which was slightly different to the usual conferences that we attend. Its purpose was to bring together environmentalists, start-ups, scale-ups, investors and backers, all of whom want to make a big impact on tackling environmental problems. Instead of the usual 'stand-with giveaways set up', connection and collaboration were the themes, with attendees able to book short face to face appointments. Here's Grace Macmillan from Biodiversity in one such meeting.



### **Remembrance Day Online Gathering 11<sup>th</sup> November**

As mentioned in last week's catch up, here is the Teams invite for those who would like to attend. It starts at 10:55 so please be prompt. If anyone would like to take part by reading the exhortation, please contact Gus.

[Join the Meeting](#)

### **Staff Wi-Fi Network**

A reminder to all staff that personal devices such as phones, tablets, games consoles and smart TVs should only be joined to our Visitor or Staff Accommodation Wi-Fi. 'Staff Wi-Fi' gives access to our workplace network/web access and is only for Field Studies Council owned staff laptops and work devices. We rely on this dedicated workplace Wi-Fi to provide fast and available access to do our jobs, but our Digital Team are seeing an increasing number of personal devices taking up bandwidth and triggering security alerts.

Please do not connect personal devices to Staff Wi-Fi. If you bring devices to work or live onsite, please check that your devices are connecting to the correct Wi-Fi network. To maintain fast access and ensure security, Digital will remove access to Wi-Fi on personal devices that continue to connect to Staff Wi-Fi. If you are unsure how to check/switch your personal device over to Visitor or Staff Accommodation Wi-Fi please email the Digital Team helpdesk [digital@field-studies-council.org](mailto:digital@field-studies-council.org)

## **Investors in People**

There are only a few days left in which to complete the IIP Survey. The closing date is 6pm on Sunday 2 November 2025.

## **Special Mention**

This week's nomination is from Chris Price in his role as a school governor. Chris was helping out with his local school's survival course at Preston Montford and wanted to thank John and Lizzie for being so welcoming and knowledgeable. Andy Lewendon provided excellent biscuits, and Arron and Liz arranged the transport. Chris really thoroughly enjoyed seeing what goes on in the field and wanted to say what a credit staff are to the charity. The children really enjoyed themselves too.

There are no new starters this week

Joy is on leave next week so please send any items for the catch up to me by 9am on Wednesday morning.

Previous catch ups are on the intranet [here](#).

Best regards

Mark