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[Green Week](#)

During this year's Green Week, we celebrated the environment, promoted what we do, educated on how we can be more sustainable in our day-to-day lives, and took action. We organised 55 events which showcased our achievements and projects and asked people to do Small Acts that together will make a big difference. Thank you to everyone who participated in some form.

If you attended events or took part in the One Small Act scheme, we would love to hear your views. [Complete the survey.](#)

[RAWKUS collection](#)

We are happy to share that the RAWKUS collection on Saturday 18th March was a great success. Due to the dedication of volunteers and student co-ordinators (with support from Sustainability Team, Waste & Recycling Team, and Accommodation Team) the collection happened in record time with 178kg of food collected and donated to Northpoint. We will be running this collection 1st/2nd July across the whole campus and invite people to join us warwick.ac.uk/RAWKUS. Read more [here](#).



Litter pick in March

A big thank you to everyone that helped out with our March litter pick at Claycroft, as well as Darren Slattery, for helping to organise this! Sign up now for our April litter pick: <https://warwick.ac.uk/litterpicks/>



Sustainable travel in March

Through our [BetterPoints app](#), we reward staff and students for taking sustainable transport decisions to and around campus. March 2023 in numbers:

Number of BetterPoints users	625
Total CO2 avoided (kgs of CO2e)	4412
Number of sustainable journeys	12089
Distance travelled (miles)	22292

Find out more about sustainable travel options at Warwick [here](#).

Nursery Eco Work

The University nursery is working towards our second Green Flag Award and the three topics we have chosen are water, improving nursery grounds and global citizenship. The children and staff have been working very hard to make a difference in these areas and this is what they have achieved. Find out more about their journey [here](#).

Events

An Evening with Hedgehog Street

This Hedgehog Awareness Week, Hedgehog Street is delighted to bring you the next instalment of An Evening with Hedgehog Street. They'll be joined by author Tom Moorhouse to talk about his latest book Ghosts in the Hedgerow: A Hedgehog Whodunnit. This FREE event will be hosted on Zoom on Thursday 4th May 2023, from 7pm-8pm. [Register now!](#)

Bat Talk

Join the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust's Youth Committee on 11th April 19:30-20:30 for a free introductory talk on our native bat species with bat expert Tricia Scott from the Warwickshire Bat Group. [Sign up now!](#)

Bat Walk at Abbey Fields

Join the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust's Youth Committee on 6th May 20:40-22:10 for atmospheric walk at dusk through Abbey Fields in Kenilworth. Upon arrival you will be handed a bat detector (unless you have your own, in which please feel free to bring it with you!) which will allow you to hear the ultrasonic calls of bats as we wander.

Our guide Tricia will help us identify what bats we can see and hear by the differing patterns and frequencies, which are unique to each species. [Sign up now!](#)

Opportunities

Sustainable Lab Recognition

The Laboratory Efficiency Assessment Framework (LEAF) is a global initiative which recognises labs for their sustainability work and practices. Labs across Chemistry, the School of Life Sciences, Warwick Medical School and the Research Technology Platforms have taken part in recent years and we'd like to encourage even more of you to get involved and be recognised for your efforts to reduce your impact, whilst also being involved in world class teaching and research. Find out more about the initiative [here](#).

Hedgehog Survey on Campus

A hedgehog survey will be taking place on campus between 24-29th April using footprint tunnels. We need volunteers to help us check these tunnels so please [register your interest](#) if you'd like to get involved.

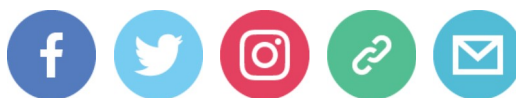
City Nature Challenge

The University will be taking part in the [City Nature Challenge](#) this year for the second time. It is a global initiative designed to motivate people from around the world to find and document nature. On Friday 28th April you are invited to join Katherine Mayfield (Sustainability Champion) alongside colleagues from Coventry City Council and the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust, on walks across campus. There will be several walks setting off from different areas and we will be using equipment to survey for wildlife before recording observations using the [iNaturalist app](#).

In advance of the weekend, we will be running a session on how to use iNaturalist, which is a fantastic app to help people with limited species identification knowledge. This will be taking place on Monday 24th April.

If you are interested in attending these events please [register your interest](#) and we'll be in touch in the coming weeks with more details.

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