Looking forward to the 2016-17 session, our first meeting will be on Saturday 3rd September, 10.30am - 12.30pm, in the Glass Class, at the Botanic Gardens, St Andrews. We will introduce the year’s programme of meetings on the first Saturday of each month, as well as the John Munday Prize, and there will be activities exploring the Gardens.

We will be continuing with the John Muir Award, which encourages us to Discover, Explore, Conserve and Share a wild place - or in our case, three places - East and West Sands, and the Gardens themselves. Our activities will centre on these three places (though we may visit elsewhere occasionally!). Contact Deborah for more information about the Award.

A donation in memory of John Munday, SWT volunteer, by Louise Bell, has been used to purchase a top-class spotting ‘scope for use by the Wild Things. Also, an annual prize will be offered, for the best creative and informative contribution to the John Muir Award group record, which may be writing, art or photography, for display on the noticeboard or in the folder. It must comprise at least four high quality pieces, and will be judged at our December meeting in time for Christmas. If no suitable entries come forward, awarding the prize will be deferred for six months to give everyone a chance to get creating! More details in September.

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