

Over the summer we want you to immerse yourself in some subject related tasks that will get you ready for your new course in Environmental Studies and Conservation

The below activities have been designed to keep you up to date with latest developments in Environmental Studies and Conservation and come to college in September with some ideas and information to share with your new classmates and lecturers.

We do not require that you produce much physical work but we encourage you to keep some notes, perhaps a diary and where relevant take some photographs on your phone as a way of retaining what you have learnt.

Date to be completed	Task	How long to spend on it?
Week Commencing 1 June 2020	On Facebook locate the group “ Plumpton Environmental Studies and Conservation Group 2020 ”. Request to join . Feel free to post one question about the course and I will put an answer (if I can!) for all to see.	15 mins and 5 mins later for answers
Week Commencing 15 June 2020	Oak trees are the most biodiverse trees we have in the UK. Have a look at this Youtube clip https://youtu.be/zdKYWiVy9FY . Find a fact relating to this (or not!) and post to the Facebook group	20 mins
Week Commencing 22 June 2020	Bioblitzing is when all the animals and plant species in a set area are recorded. Find a small area, perhaps in your garden or a green area close to you and respecting social distancing, record all the animals, birds and plants you can see or hear or find during a 1 hour period. Remember to wash hands and any equipment afterwards. Upload a picture of your best find to the Facebook group and say why you chose this item.	One hour
Week Commencing 29 June 2020	Being able to identify tree species is a useful skill in conservation. This website gives you some clues on how to do this as well as some ID hints. See if you can find a UK native tree locally. Post it’s picture to the Facebook group along with its common and its scientific name.	20 mins
Week Commencing 6 July 2020	There are lots of ways that people protect and care for the environment. Find out where your nearest Nature reserve is and post a picture of it to Facebook. Tell us what is at this nature reserve that makes people most proud of the area.	20 -30 mins
Week Commencing 13 July 2020	Marla Spivak Ted Talk: Why bees are disappearing: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dY7iATJVCso	20 mins

	One thing that we could do to turn the tide	
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