



We were blessed with a break in the weather for the Family Nature Walk on Sunday.

RSPB expert, Alan Johnson led the walk across the orchards and through Crockham Wood. Alan opened our eyes to a whole world of wildlife on our doorstep.

As we were gathering in the Village Hall car park, we saw a hobby, a rare bird of prey, and while we walked up to the woods, we saw buzzards, swifts, swallows, green woodpeckers, meadow brown butterflies, rare moths and much more.

In the woods we learnt about the fascinating lives of ants - really! You would be amazed at the ruthless and gruesome survival tactics of ant species.



We also learnt about the vital role that ivy plays in providing a habitat for animals, birds and insects. The ivy in this photo is thought to be 25 years old. It does not kill the tree, but gives all sorts of creatures a place to live.

