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A Rocha (UK) Mission Partner prayer update

Kailean Khongshai joins us from Wolf Fields, A Rocha, this weekend, as our preacher. Here is an update ahead of this:

Wolf Fields serves a large and diverse local community in Southall, including 12-15 local schools. They welcome the opportunity to bring children on educational visits. Sarah Salisbury, the part-time education officer, has moved on to a full-time post. Kailean is hoping to interview for a new, part-time replacement next month. In the meantime, he and Kim have to handle visits and run activities as best they can!

When we spoke to Kailean this week a digger was on site clearing topsoil in preparation for their planned wild-flower meadow. This will be sown in the spring when they can afford the large quantities of quality seed required. Plans also continue for the completion of a Labyrinth on site, sponsored by the Ealing Deanery. Kailean also mentioned that many of the basic garden tools they started with are wearing out after 7+ years. Providing separate gloves for any visitors or volunteers who lack them (due to Covid concerns) is also a challenge.

Please pray for:

- Kailean & Kim Khongshai and their family as Kailean runs school visits, hosts others and undertakes speaking engagement commitments early in 2022, without Sarah's support.
- Successful identification a replacement Education Officer, able to: engage with the multi-cultural community; work well with children; and develop relationships with schools, all in a part time role!
- The core of faithful volunteers and for more to join, as some are now too old or have died (due to Covid).
- Creation of a wonderful wildflower meadow and provision of resources for this, replacement tools etc.
- Our learning from Kailean's visit and own trip to Wolf Fields on Saturday 19 March.