

## End of Grant Report

As a result of the grant received from the Nineveh Trust of £5,000 in December 2022, in addition to other grants received, Wildgoose Rural Training has been able to construct a new classroom:



This new classroom has been invaluable to Wildgoose because as a result of the new teaching space, we have been able to accept several new students to join the Wildgoose family. In addition, a new tutor has also been employed to provide teaching in respect of the different activities and one of our support tutors is now employed on a fulltime basis rather than part time.

The new students have been able to engage in all of our activities which include: mechanics, woodworking, horticulture, animal husbandry, arts & crafts, cooking and maintenance of the nature reserve. They also enjoy pond dipping and looking after our small animals such as a bearded dragon, snakes, guinea pigs, tortoises, stick insects and cockroaches.

They have also made new friends at Wildgoose and we have found that their self-confidence and self-esteem has increased. This is as a result of the new skills that they have learned and the new friendship groups that have been established.

The photograph below shows the inside of one side of the new classroom:



The new classroom has also been kitted out with a kitchen. This means that the group occupying the new classroom can be self-sufficient and don't need to move over to the main hub at break time or lunchtime. This is particularly important now that we have new students as we struggle to fit everyone into one building!



All of our students and staff love the new classroom and are really grateful to all of the funders who made it possible.

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