

DAY THREE - ADVENTURE



The third trip out of the week disbursing funds involved a trip to Millington, just outside of Altrincham.

Set in rural Cheshire we find The Children's, Adventure Farm Trust.

One of the main charitable targets for the year of the Order of the Secret Monitor in Cheshire & North Wales, The Children's Adventure Farm Trust was nominated by Verney Clayton Conclave No 45.

Through various efforts and collections throughout the year, plus a contribution from the OSM Benevolent Fund, the Province was able to donate £2,500 to the Charity.

CAFT is a registered charity that provides day trips, residential breaks and seasonal activities for children across the North West whose lives may be impacted by illness, complex medical needs, special educational needs, disability and social disadvantage. All services are provided free.

The Children's Adventure Farm Trust is based at the beautiful Booth Bank Farm, a 17th Century farmhouse set in the heart of the Cheshire countryside, and covers a 10 acre site.

CAFT was established in 1985 by Tim Grundy, son of broadcaster Bill Grundy, and continued association with celebrities when Sir Bobby Charlton became President in 2000. Jason Manford has recently taken over the role.

CAFT now provides a wide range of experiences and engagements for children of all abilities. The funding from the Order of the Secret Monitor will help to develop the Sound Wall in the woodland. The current wall, pictured, consists of lids, pans and sticks. The developed wall will consist of professionally-made sensory equipment built to endure heavy usage and the English weather.



More information about CAFT can be found at www.caft.co.uk

CAFT also have a membership scheme open to all, to receive regular updates on activities - www.caft.co.uk/membership/

Visits are available for families or groups, either for two-hour visit or a two-day residential, but must be applied for in advance to ensure children can be catered for - www.caft.co.uk/families/

Pictured:

Andy Tong, Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler;

Tony Stringer, Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler;

Ian Eccles, Chief Executive, CAFT;

Philip Rose, MBE, Supreme Ruler, Verney Clayton Conclave No 45;

Hannah Grahame, Fundraising Lead, CAFT.