

# WPD grant helps fund children's outdoor educational program



*Darren Machin (back left) with kids from Chesterton Primary School and Staffordshire Wildlife Trust.*

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust has received \$2,600 (£2,000) from Western Power Distribution (WPD) to support its educational program.

The Trust has been able to extend its outdoor educational program for children from local schools at no cost to the participants.

The money was donated to the Trust by WPD, which strongly supports local community activities.

One beneficiary of this program was Chesterton Primary School. Children from the school took part in the Wildlife Trust's 'Beautiful Butterflies (Mini-beast hunt)' session, which is specifically designed for primary school students.

The session took place at the Wildlife Trust's Hem Heath reserve.

"We're delighted to support this school's program," said Western Power Distribution's Stoke West Team Manager Daren Machin., "The interactive sessions are targeted at schoolchildren and allow schools from central Stoke to experience nature first hand and learn more about the environment, plants and life in the natural world. As a company, we're keen to support the environment and education. We've seen how much it benefits local schools and coming to the session, the children seem very positive about the experience."

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