

### **Birds on The Line – audio transcription:**

1<sup>st</sup> child:

I can hear a bird twittering and they might be listening to us.

2<sup>nd</sup> child:

Pied Wagtail, a small black and white bird of towns and cities. This bird is coming around the [micellar] orbit and gardens and can be seen dashing along the ground, and bobbing its tail up and down.

3<sup>rd</sup> child:

It is very colourful; it has black and white. It is, is very playful, it loves to do many things that are active. It doesn't go around lazing around in the nest. It's very playful and it likes to play with its other friends and do many things, which made me feel really happy and made me go out with my family to see them again and tell them all about it.

4<sup>th</sup> child:

A baby kook, a big kook and a teenage kook (another child: and a mum and a dad) and the baby kooks are following the teenage or the adults and they're – and on the way they're like eating bread or something, I think that's bread (another child: they're on their way to the house) and they're on the way to their house.

5<sup>th</sup> child:

They just went around and like they get food from on the ground and they also um stay with their mother if they don't have if they don't like they can't (inaudible) there, and they just rely on their parents

### **Insects living on The Line – audio transcription:**

The species is a Brown-Banded Carder Bee. A ginger-coloured bee that nests on the ground in long grass. One of the species in the Olympic park's biodiversity action plan.

Common toadflax, a pale-yellow wildflower. Another common name is *butter and eggs*. This wildflower supports the redwood flax brocade moss. You can see it in Spring and Autumn.

Child 2:

Butterflies, peacocks and small tortoise shells. Common butterflies' caterpillars feed on, stinging nettles, adult butterflies feed on brambles and buddleia, also known as butterfly bush. Found on the greenway, February onwards, the butterflies will hibernate during the winter months.

Child 3:

The bees are flying around the blackberry flowers and they're pollinating them. And it looks really beautiful like that in their natural habitat. And the flowers, they look kind of look like they're blooming and it looks really pretty.

Child 4:

The bee that I saw, it was black and yellow. I was scared of it because I didn't want it to sting me and I saw it in the flowers.

Child 5:

A black bumble bee with a large red tail, seen across the gardens and meadows of the South Park (interviewer asks: and what's it called?) red-tailed bumblebee.

Child 6:

This butterfly, it was just kind a cyan blue colour and it made me feel calm because the colours were like pastel and light which makes me feel really calm. It was also had different colours are like white and kind of- I don't know what the colour was called but it was mixed of blue and white.

### **Flowers and plants on The Line - audio transcription:**

Adult asks: Why do you like spending time in nature?

Child responds:

Because all the flowers are really pretty and there's lots of pretty colours and some leaves look pretty like those ones (another child says: and the air's always fresh nearby).

Child 2:

[My favourite] memory was when I planted my own flower, and I forgot what the name was but I really liked the smell and- (another child says: did it smell like orange?)

Yeah, it smelled like oranges, I don't know if it was an orange plant, but it was a flower, I couldn't remember the name.

Child 3:

Looking at a bindweed flower and it's mostly white, but it has some green on the inside and it's really beautiful and it comes- it looks like it comes in- like it's really soft to touch.

Child 4:

It's like a straight line and it's quite odd and this is like purpleish, yellowish- no this is a light-green. Purpleish, greenish, lightish, greenish.

Child 5:

On my plant, on the stem it's green and then the flower, the petals are red and the middle is very black and green (Interviewer asks – do you know what this flower is?) A poppy.

Child 6:

It's kind of like, when you, it's kind of like when you wash like a really furry cat and then you stroke it for the first time and then, and then, and then it's just really, really soft. (Yeah.) But then there's like, there's little spikes on it. That makes it like there's a little sting. Like it doesn't hurt, but it kind of stings. (Interviewer asks: were you expecting that from a tree and its leaves?) Oh no.

Child 7:

The Fantasticology Meadows – The Olympic Park has over 20 hectares of wildflower meadow. The meadows are in flower from spring to early Autumn the meadows are cut in the autumn and winter months to rejuvenate them for the following spring.