

Friends of Park Mead—Bluebell Walk

On Wednesday 17th April 2024 The Friends of Park Mead were back to take over the Arlington Bluebell Walk cafe after a break of 5 years. The walk was originally set up by parents to fund an outdoor swimming pool at Park Mead in 1972 and has since gone on to raise millions of pounds for worthy local and national charities.

On the day the sun tried to shine and the bluebells were starting to cover the Beaton's woodland floor, but for the band of parents, family, friends, Bedes students and some of the children at Park Mead none of that could be appreciated as we welcomed 454 visitors to the walk. We brewed 153 cups of tea and served 165 coffees using 55 pints of milk. We made 42 sandwiches, filled 40 jacket potatoes and served 122 pieces of cake along with sausage rolls, scones, biscuits, soup, ploughman's and more.



Although it was a really busy day all the volunteers loved taking part and to top it off we made £2182 plus will be invited back again next year!!!

On behalf of the Friends I would like to say a massive **THANK YOU** to all the bakers and volunteers that helped make this day a huge success.

Debbie Lapworth
Chairperson
Friends of Park Mead

