

## **Suntrap Shared Stories**

## **Ayse Rifat**

## Award winning artist

Having undiagnosed dyslexia, I didn't find school very interesting, text books and chalk boards were full of words, numbers and all sorts of info which really didn't sink in. Then out of the blue came Suntrap!

Armed with our welly boots (mine were bright red), pond dipping nets and jam jars for our findings. We were free to ask questions, squelch in mud and kick leaves whilst being taught one of the most important subjects 'Nature',

What I didn't realise at the time is how much of an impact our trips to Suntrap would have on me. I now use my love and passion for British wildlife existing on our very own doorstep (some of which is sadly in decline) to create artwork to raise awareness.