



**Week beginning
March 23rd**

FOVG Valley Gardens Watch during the Covid 19 restrictions



We thought that we would try to keep you in touch with what is going on in the Valley Gardens whilst we all have to stay in isolation.

For as long as we are able to take regular exercise, whilst maintaining a safe distance of 2 meters, those of us who are lucky enough to be very close to the gardens will keep an eye on things and report back.



We caught Simon at 8.30 whilst he was doing the bin clearing today; he sends his best wishes to all the volunteers during this very difficult time. Stay safe and well so that we are all able to rejoin them when we can

What is happening this week?

work together again

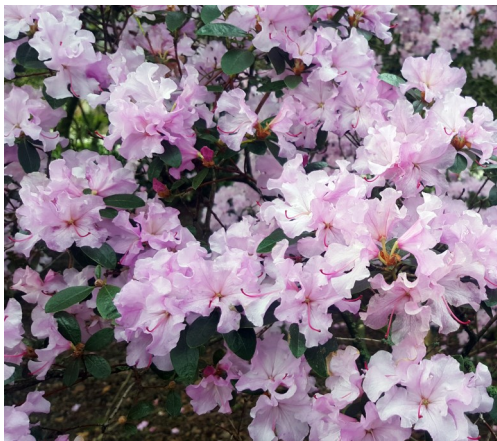


The blocked drains on Ebor Rise which were flooding down the path are being cleared by a team of specialists.

What is looking Good this Week?



- All the narcissi in various areas of the garden and up in the wildlife area towards the pine woods are flowering well
- The early flowering rhododendron near the toilet block is absolutely covered in blossom.
- Various early cherry trees are showing blossom. The one in the picture is just near the Lime tree Avenue.



- Two clumps of frog spawn in the Japanese Garden are swelling nicely. Both are in the same spots as last year, it is interesting how the frogs choose exactly the same location to lay the spawn.
- The bird song is lovely early in the morning, I am afraid I don't know enough about it to say just which species are singing. Certainly Blackbirds, and we have seen a Song Thrush. Perhaps if some of you are in the garden and know your birds you could enlighten us



Do let us know how you are coping and if we can help in any way we will. Those of you who have gardens will be busy making the most of the this season whilst we are 'locked in' till next time.....

Why not send photos of your garden to : fovg@friendsofvalleygardens.co.uk