

If this binder could talk...

It would tell you about someone who went along way in a short period of time. During my time here at Forest Valley, I was able to learn a lot about myself. I grew and stretched beyond my comfort zone in a short period of time. The four months I spent at the Valley will forever be a part of my memories.

I take with me, the smiles of more kids than I can count. The awe of the faces of the kids as you role over a log to show them someone's home. The way they smile in triumph when they feel they managed to succeed at a co-operative activity. Their looks of innocence at watching a squirrel run around the forest floor.

I will also remember the smell of the forest, the breeze as it kisses the leaves in the tree. Watching the beavers as they swim and play in the river. The way the mist hangs over the valley in the early morning. The staff and all of their craziness, they are a great group of people and I consider myself privileged and honoured to have been able to work with them.

I have a deep love for Forest Valley and a sense of oneness with it. I hope that your time here time at Forest Valley is a magical as mine was.

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