

Hi Guys,

It's Atticus here again. I hope you are all well and have been enjoying the sun. I have been out and about lots and lots this week. I seem to be all the human beans best friends and quite frankly I am pleased when they all collapse in front of the big black box in the corner of the room. That's when I am allowed to go to bed and thank goodness they are not getting up in the dark anymore. It's much quieter where I live now, no pesky cars vrooming of to goodness knows where at goodness knows what time!

This week we have been walking along the river where Neil would have taken you if we had been at school. I suspect Mrs Long is in training for being a photographer as she hasn't stopped taking snaps this week. Luckily, she has started talking to herself, apparently because she misses you guys so much so I can tell you what they are of. (Please don't tell her I understand human - it would make my life sooooo much more complicated!)



Firstly, this is me at the pipe which goes across the River Calder in Townley park. I wonder if you know where it is? Apparently, when Freddie was about your age he insisted on walking across it and fell into the water which was a bit deeper at that time and freezing! He had to walk all the way home, soaking wet with no trousers - not a happy bunny! I cross the river here by paddling and so does Mrs Long in her wellies. Much more sensible.



This picture is of the confluence of the river Calder and a tributary running down from Cliviger gorge. I wonder if any of you know what those words mean?



As you can see in this photo I am very confused, why is there grass growing in the river? Well apparently, that used to be the footpath and because of all the torrential rain we had a couple of months ago the force of the water eroded the river back and the land fell away. The river used to run where all the pebbles are on the right-hand side of the photo but this is an example of where deposition has happened. I cannot tell you how upset Mrs Long was that she

could show you this in person. I think she's a bit odd like that!



This is the same bit of river from a different angle and you can see all the layers of soil and rock and the grass hanging over. Very dramatic!



Finally this is the same bit of river from further away. This apparently shows a meander- you know what this is as well, she says - can you remember why the river bends like this? It is something to do with the speed of the water at each side but you know better than me.

Anyway happy week, Mrs Long was really excited to see some new faces on Seesaw this week and in fact is going to set you a new challenge to send each other messages. In fact I might even do one.

Take care my friends.

Love and Woofs

Atticus.