



HEADTEACHER: Mr K Ford

10th January 2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

Earlier on in the year, Y7 students were joined by Neil Butler, Founder of the Wood4Trees organisation to discuss their ongoing challenge which is to plant 1 million trees to reverse the impact of climate change. The charity was founded in 2020 by Neil after he was left inspired by David Attenborough's film 'A life on our planet'. From this point on, Neil and his organisation have been involving local schools in the planting of trees as well as highlighting the importance of trees to the world we live in.

On Tuesday 26th April, we will be joined by Neil and his team of volunteers to offer students the opportunity to pot up their own tree sapling. The students will then take responsibility for the tree and take it home in a pot to care for it for a whole year! The trees can remain in the pots that they go home in and need only to be regularly watered and kept outside. After that year, we will plant these trees locally to create our very own wood!

Students will use their PE lessons on Tuesday 26th April to pot up their samplings. Although Neil will provide some pots, due to an issue with delivery, Neil has requested, where possible, students bring a suitable pot at least 16cm in diameter to pot up their sampling. Keeping with our theme of the environment, if the pot can be a recycled pot from the garden, that's even better. Students will be provided details about the logistics of the morning in our Y7 Assembly on the first day back after the Easter Break.

We hope this provides students with an opportunity explore the impact of climate change as well as be creators for change by helping to create our own woodland.

Here is a link to the Wood4Trees website should you wish to find out more about their mission: Home | wood4trees

Best wishes,
Mr Wilson
Director of Learning Y7