



# Great Marlow School

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Dear Parent/Carer

We have been given a fantastic opportunity to work with a local environmental charity called Chiltern Rangers. They have offered to support and assist with various projects planned for GMS in 2023. Students from GMS have been selected to attend Spade Oak Nature Reserve to support with ongoing projects in a collaborative biodiversity project.

GMS' Eco Warriors have worked hard within the school to advance our biodiversity ambitions; we believe this collaboration with Chiltern Rangers will further develop their determination to make our community a better habitat for wild animals, insects and us.

The students selected for the collaboration are required to ask their subject teachers for permission to be absent from lessons and they must take responsibility for all work missed by catching up in their own time. Students are not required to wear school uniform for the visit. Some warmer items of clothing for the outdoor planting, should the weather be inclement, is recommended. We would also suggest that students wear clothing and footwear that they do not mind becoming dirty. If it is raining, a change of clothes may also be advisable. Students will be leaving school at 9 am and returning to school at 3 pm. If there are any delays in returning to school, you will be notified.

The trip is being organised by Miss Addy, and will be led by:

Monday March 6<sup>th</sup> – Year 9 – Miss Ashby

This is not a compulsory trip, there are no costs involved.

The students are required to bring a packed lunch. Students on FSM will have packed lunches provided.

I know our students will behave in an exemplary manner and show responsibility when taking part in this event. The opportunity is inclusive: students, regardless of any special educational, medical, or other need will be able to take part. Those selected to participate are students who have contributed unstintingly to earn and maintain GMS's Eco-Award.

**The MS Consent Form for this trip needs to be completed by Friday January 20<sup>th</sup> on WisePay.**

We are incredibly grateful to all students who have taken such an active role in progressing our Eco-School status; their continued efforts in making the world a better place makes a huge difference to the school environment. On my behalf, please praise your child for their resilience in the Eco-School's project.

Before spring begins, we are actively looking for donations to support the next phase of our Eco-School project. Our hopes in the next few months are to install outdoor water taps and plant summer bedding plants. If you are able to donate through WisePay, the Eco Warriors Team would be incredibly grateful. Please access WisePay from the front page of our website or use the link here: [https://www.wisepay.co.uk/store/generic/parent\\_login.asp](https://www.wisepay.co.uk/store/generic/parent_login.asp)

Miss Addy: Eco-School's Lead

Yours faithfully

**Miss R Addy**

**Eco-Schools Lead**