



HEADTEACHER: Mr K Ford

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Dear Parents and Carers

## Wood 4 Trees Update

### Background

Neil Butler led assemblies back in 2021 and 2022 on his **Wood4trees** project, which was launched in response to concerns about environmental damage. Neil aims, with our help, to plant a million trees to help fight climate change!

Founded in 2020, the Wood4trees project was inspired by David Attenborough's film 'A Life on Our Planet' and has the aim of planting a million new trees to help in our fight against climate change. Working with Neil at Wood4trees, we can fight back against global warming and secure a better future for everyone.

Students in KS3 during 21/22 had the opportunity to plant their very own sapling / small tree. The students took responsibility for the sapling by taking it home in a pot to care for it until the project plants these trees locally to create our very own wood!

The link to Neil Butler's website **Wood4trees** can be found here for more information: <https://www.wood4trees.co.uk/>

### Message from the project leader Neil Butler:

Firstly, thank you so much for being involved with **Wood4trees**. This year we've all seen the impact of climate change with so many dramatic weather events all over our planet, each of us can make a small difference but together we can have a much bigger impact so please keep going!

It's been an exciting year as we planted our first Poplar trees at farmland on the Harleyford Estate and finally we have managed to find a home for all Our trees at Woolley Firs where we will plant 750 trees. The planting will be carried out in **February 2024** on land that is being re-wilded by the Berks, Bucks & Oxon Wildlife Trusts. It's a great location as it is so close just along the A4 to the west of Maidenhead and is part of an educational facility that is being created.

I hope your tree has survived in its pot but if not don't worry as we can provide you another tree with a small donation of £6 to **Wood4trees**. If your tree has survived, then please remove any weeds from the pot and top it up with a little more soil and give it a good watering as we have some warmer weather moving into October. If you've got a photo of your tree, then please share it with your teachers and I look forward to meeting you all again next year when we can finally plant our trees in their new home!

Great Marlow School will provide further updates on the Wood4trees project in the new year.

Many thanks  
**Great Marlow School**