

The Green Tree Schools Award.

Free help and support for schools from the Woodland Trust.



A thousand schools across the region are being given a unique chance to nurture and **inspire a new generation of nature lovers.**

Thanks to funding from players of People's Postcode Lottery, the Woodland Trust has a new Woodland Learning Officer for [Heartwood Forest](#), Vicky Duxbury, who is working side by side with schools - encouraging them to get out with pupils to visit woods, plant trees on their grounds and teach them about the importance of trees and nature.

Vicky helps schools to register on and to work through the charity's [Green Tree Schools Award](#). The Award is **a free, easy to follow framework which helps schools include teaching about woods and trees in their curriculum or during extra-curricular activities.** Schools collect points for completing exciting and educational activities such as tree planting, drawing and writing poetry about trees, being tree ambassadors to name but a few of the activities - and progress through bronze, silver and gold levels to the prestigious platinum award. The Award can help to nurture a lifelong interest in the natural environment and it is well known that spending time outdoors is good for our **Health and Well Being.**

Schools registering on the Award will receive the opportunity to **receive an assembly**, and a great free gift, a **set of 6 Wildlife ID booklets**; and schools which are already registered will be eligible for the free gift once they reach the next Award level.

If you'd like to know more about the Green Tree School Award you can contact Vicky on vickyduxbury@woodlandtrust.org.uk, Tel. 0343 770 5717 Mob. 0758 459 5424