



Planting Report:

Clapham Terrace Primary
School, Leamington Spa

February 2022



Children: 30

Ages: 9 & 10

**Clapham Terrace
Primary School
Year 5**



Facilitators:

**Matt Cox, Kate
Haines, Kath
Pasteur, Kristie
Naimo**

Land Guardians:

Caz & Tom Ingall

**Volunteers: Di
Sinclair, Sam Black**



About 100 trees planted:

Hawthorn	Silver Birch
Rowan	Bird Cherry
Hornbeam	Sweet Chestnut
Crab Apple	Field Maple
Wild Cherry	Hazel

The Children's Forest Approach:

A four step journey that supports a meaningful connection to tree planting and the existing ecosystem; that activates future generational thinking and supports children to take hopeful action in the face of climate change.



1: Experiencing

By engaging in embodied experience in woodlands through Forest School, we support Children to develop genuine care and personal relationship with the natural world.



2: Imagining

Their time in the woods enables the children to look out over the land and imagine future forests. Through the creative arts, they engage with the vision of woodland that they will plant.





3. Planting

As they plant the trees, the children plant their wishes for the future generations: 'that these woods will never be cut down' 'that all animals will have a home,' 'that we will all have clean water to drink'



The native trees are carefully chosen to best suit the land. They have come from the Woodland Trust

4. Tending:

We planted our woodland around a central Children's Fire. There the children will continue to gather in years to come.

The children will return to tend the trees





My forest is a forest where....

Plants will thrive and animals will live
The owls say twit twoo and the rabbits go boing
My forest is a forest where children play with glee
Children and parents can come and enjoy it
The trees can grow tall and green

My forest is a forest where trees can blow in the wind
The grass will grow and the trees too
The animals will thrive
My forest is a forest where animals and plants live
peacefully

Animals can run around and and are free to enter their
animal kingdom

My forest is a forest where ponds dazzle in the sunshine
Rabbits jump up and down and enjoy their habitat
The animals roam free and bees are flying.

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Some words from the children

'This is amazing!' 'I am grateful to be here in the fresh, clean air', 'I like that we were not rushed here and could take time to enjoy things'



"Tom and I have lived on this land for around 20 years and we hope to be here for a lot longer. Together with our children, we will watch and protect these trees as they grow.

We are so pleased to see all your lovely smiling faces enjoying the Children's Forest today".

Caz Ingall, Guardian Landowner



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