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Our inspiration:

Why I Joined The Eco Schools Committee ~

I joined the Eco Schools committee as I believe that living in an eco-friendly way and preserving the environment is an important part of life. Having looked at the statistics, I am shocked to find that every year, 7 billion trees are cut down. Not only is this damaging to the animals who rely on forests as their habitats, it's also harmful to the our planet. Every tree that is cut down releases carbon dioxide and other harmful greenhouse gases into the environment. This contributes towards global warming, which in turn adds to the ice caps melting, sea levels rising, species of animals going extinct, extreme weather conditions and overall climate change. All of these reasons are why I, a concerned teenager wanting to help, signed up to help plant 2020 trees in 2020 at Southill Park. Having achieved our goal, I feel proud and happy that I have, at least in some way, helped combat global warming; and will continue to do so as part of SWA's eco committee.

Poppy Saunders

Our inspiration:



I love nature , walking and the outdoors. I love walking down to the river and stream and watching the water. Now all I can see is plastic pollution, which is a sad reality to the deterioration in the beauty of nature. Instead of waiting for a bin and carrying the rubbish, we are using our waterways and land as a wasteland. Instead please, please, please find a bin while you're out or bin it when you get home.

Jess Gibson

Simple ways that you can help the environment during lockdown:

- Turn off those lights. Whilst inside all day, it can be tempting to keep all of your lights switched on. But letting in some natural light instead will reduce the amount of electricity you use, conserving energy.
- Put some plants in your room. Not only will this brighten up your workspace, it will also help to increase the level of oxygen around you.
- Feed the birds. Introducing a bird feeder into your garden is a quick and simple way to help your local wildlife.
- Upcycle! With all the online shopping we've been doing, it's important to put all that packaging to good use. For example, shoe boxes can be used for storing smaller items or used as drawer inserts, and cardboard from boxes can be used for all sorts of arts and crafts.
- Don't forget to recycle. This will help to reduce harmful emissions from landfill sights, where your rubbish ends up if not recycled.
- Plant some flowers. With spring approaching, it will be the perfect time to get gardening. Not only is this a good reason to get out and get some fresh air, but it is also a great way to help the bees.



Together, we can use our time spent at home to make a positive impact on the world around us! ~ **Charli Morris**