

Welcome to the **December Sustainable Schools Leicester eBulletin**.

We have lots of exciting events and training planned for the next few months so read on to find out more!

Upcoming events and competitions:

Tiny Forest Planting at Featherstone Drive Open Space: Tuesday 17 December from 12:30pm onwards (what3words location: minute.useful.sound)

Tiny Forest Planting at Netherhall Drive Open Space: Wednesday 18 December from 12:30pm onwards (what3words location: layers.dogs.chest)



Eco-Schools Roadshow at Sir Jonathan North

Do take care and, as always, if you need any help or support email or contact us.

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Follow us on Social Media

The Sustainable Schools Team have their own social media channels where you can keep up to date with all things related to sustainability in schools.



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WWF Action for Nature Grants and Drop in Session

Micro grants of up to £1,000 are available to primary, secondary, sixth form, or higher education colleges and SEN schools in Leicester and Leicestershire. These grants can be spent on a variety of things to enable schools to run nature activities and projects.

As these grants are only available to schools in Leicester and Leicestershire, if you apply there is a good chance you will be successful. Applications close 6 December 2024. Apply by filling in an [the online webform](#). Any issues please email education@wwf.org.uk or for support completing the form email Jasmine.Walker@leicester.gov.uk

Teacher help drop in session Wednesday 4 December 4-5pm – for any teachers who might need some help with their applications. [Register here](#), to join!

Tiny Forests

We have two new Tiny Forests being planted in community spaces in Leicester, and we need help planting 600 trees! Please share with your parents and wider school community where possible, encouraging them to come along to one of our events (weather permitting) and plant their own Tiny Forest:

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Free Tree Packs – Woodland Trust

Apply for free trees available for schools and communities – choose your pack and fill out an application form. Applications close on 13 January, and trees will be delivered in March 2025. Click [here](#) for more information and to apply.



Carbon Literacy Project

We have been using the Carbon Literacy Project for the last 5 years to raise awareness of the climate emergency, as a way of accrediting school staff to become Carbon Literate. By 2025, the DfE have said that each school will have a sustainability lead who will have taken part in Carbon Literacy Training. By joining us, you will help put your school ahead of the rest! Our next sessions are in person on Tuesday 4 February 2025; Friday 16 May 2025 9am – 4pm at City Hall, Charles Street, Leicester. Complete the [eForm](#) to book your space or for more information, contact Laura.Barke@leicester.gov.uk.



Green Football's Great Save

The UK's biggest campaign, unleashing the power of football to tackle climate change is back and we're inviting all schools across the UK to take part. Teachers can [sign up here](#) to find out more and to access free resources.



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