Our Lady's PTA

A community of parents and teachers dedicated to helping the children of Our Lady's flourish through the provision of equipment and resources designed to advance education and well-being.

Learning to Love; Loving to Learn

OUR LADY'S PRINCETHORPE

Newsletter

July 2021

OUR LADY'S GREAT GARDEN UPDATE

Hi everyone. As we head in to the final few weeks of term we wanted to let you all know what the Our Lady's PTA team have been up to since we announced our major project for the year. As you will have no doubt seen from the parents Facebook page, the Great Garden Project team have well and truly lived up to their name with incredible progress made – so much so that the children are already enjoying their new outdoor space during lunchtime and lesson time. Here's a bit more on what we've been up to with some big thankyou's along the way...

2021 MAJOR PROJECT - WE'RE DIGGING DEEP

As you know, this year the PTA are supporting a revamp of the school grounds to create functional and inspiring spaces for children to learn and play.

The transformation which has taken place so far has been incredible, in large part thanks to the unrelenting commitment of Kirsty Maclean and an incredible team of volunteers who have given up hours of their time after school and at weekends to dig, weed, paint and plough!

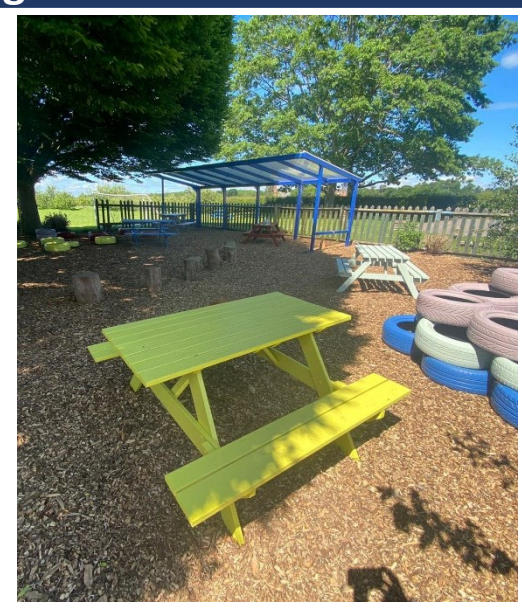
The afterschool Garden club team have also been getting stuck in, enjoying learning and having lots of fun. Together they have grown some wonderful plants and you can buy them in our plant sale! All proceeds will be reinvested in the garden project.

SUMMER HOLIDAY HELP NEEDED!

COULD YOU SPARE SOME TIME OVER THE HOLIDAYS TO KEEP OUR TRANSFORMATION PLAN ON TRACK?

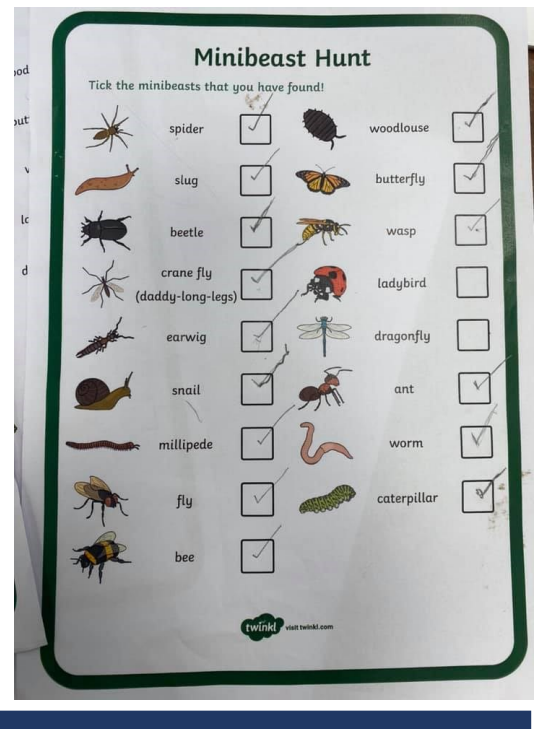
Keep an eye on Facebook for dates and times the team will be on site.

A snapshot of colourful progress...

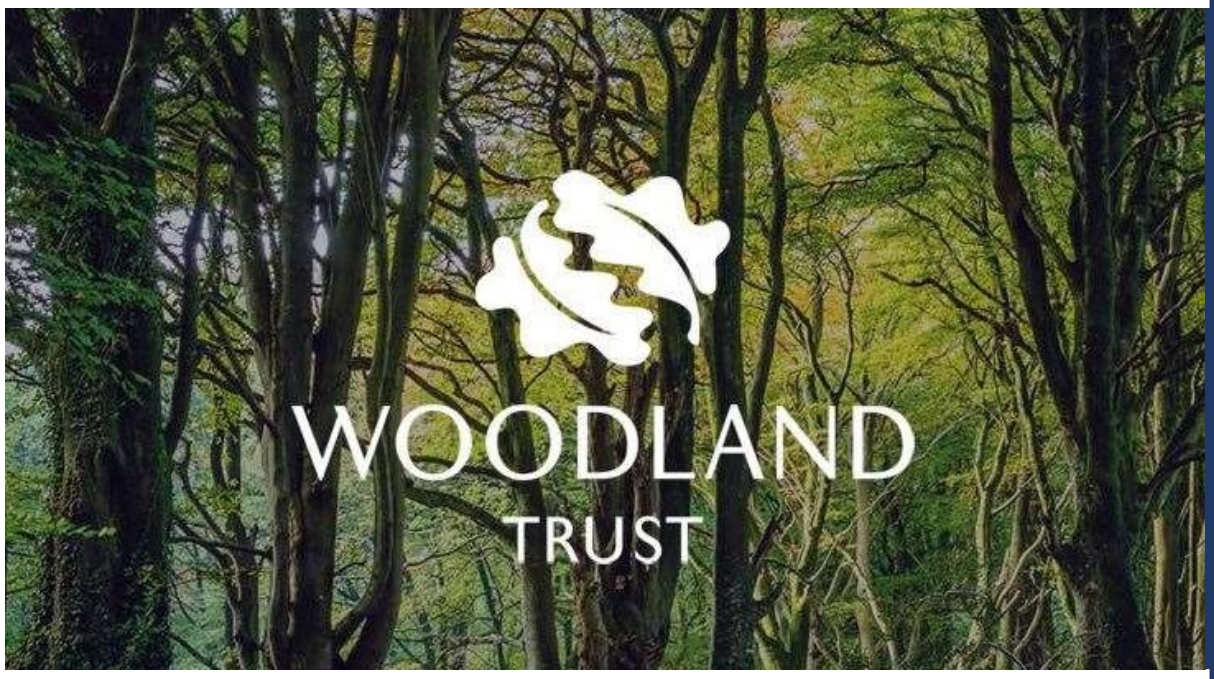


Our wonderful Polytunnel transformation, now full of home grown plants!

Gardening clubbers get to work...



IT'S THANK YOU TIME!



WE HAVE BEEN LUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE A DONATION OF 420 HEDGING SAPLINGS FROM THE WOODLAND TRUST.

This will be delivered in November and will surround the entire garden site, replacing the damaged fencing. The hedges will be made up of a mix of hazel, crab apple, hawthorn and dog rose so will be beautiful and a wonderful haven for wildlife when fully established. Thanks to all those involved in the bid for this amazing donation.

A BIG THANKS TO ALEX FROM MORRISONS IN LEAMINGTON.
Alex, the store community champion, sent us Cedric the Seed books. We can now join Cedric on his journey from a little seed to a tall sunflower - in a story full of unexpected adventure, friendship and fun. Inspired by the pandemic and how lives were changed in an instant, it's a story of hope for a brighter future supporting children's literacy and learning.

A HUGE THANKS TO THOMPSON & MORGAN
for the wonderful box of seeds they donated – and thanks to Vicky Fountain for organising this for us!
These wonderful seeds have been sown and grown already!

A LORRY FULL OF THANKS GO TO CHRIS AND LAURA
for the delivery of woodchips which have transformed our garden. Thanks to all the volunteers for their energy barrowing and raking them in to place – they have really made all the difference!

Local Community Fund

GREEN FINGERS CROSSED
Last month we got together for a pic in support of our CO-OP local community fund application. If successful you will be able to support our bid at your local store – we'll keep you posted!

2021/22 PTA COMMITTEE APPLICATIONS
As is customary each year, we will be opening applications for the positions of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. These applications will be taken as soon as we return from summer holidays and the new committee sworn in at our September AGM. If you would be interested in a role or would like to form part of the wider committee group, please contact us at ourladysptaprincethorpe@yahoo.co.uk

COME JOIN US!
Our Lady's PTA are a really friendly bunch and we would love to welcome some new faces to our meetings and increase representation across the school. If you'd like to know more please speak to the current PTA committee or check in with your year group to get the lowdown from anyone who's already involved.