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#### Tree planting week- Can you help us?

Dear Parents/Carers,

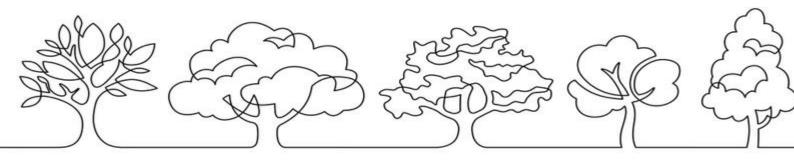
We are planning a special week of tree planting! We have over 400 native sapling trees to plant as part of 'Plant a tree for the Jubilee' as part of the Queen's platinum jubilee celebrations.

We will be planting them over the course of next week ( $21^{St}$  March 2022) and we would love to invite parents and carers into school to plant a tree with their child in the Rainbow Garden!

Year Group	Date and Time
Year 2	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2:30pm
Year 1	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2:30pm
Reception	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2:30pm

If you can join us to plant a tree on your child's set day, please walk around the side of school by the kitchen and we will let you in through the side gate.

If you can't make it, please feel free to have your child's grandparent/uncle/aunt attend instead, but if not, every child will be able to plant a tree each and will have a chance to do this with their classroom staff.



# Slit planting

This is a simple method that is suitable for bare soil and grass. It can be easier than pit planting if you've got stony soil.



### Step 1

Press your spade all the way into the ground, then push it forwards to create a slit. Make sure it's deep enough for the tree roots.



## Step 2

Keep the slit open with your spade and place your tree inside with the root plug about 2cm below ground level.



## Step 3

Remove the spade and push the soil back around the tree.



### Step 4

If using tree guards or spirals to protect your saplings, this is the stage to add these. Press the protection firmly into the soil.