



Roots for a wilder future

What is Roots for a wilder future?

Roots for a wilder future is a free, year long programme, open to schools with a greater than average number of pupils on Free School Meals* which will enable pupils to learn and benefit from nature.

Roots for a wilder future will be delivered in partnership with school staff it will support your staff's long term learning.



What are the aims?

- Support the health and well-being of pupils
- Support your school improvement goals
- Provide enrichment opportunities
- Support curriculum learning
- Increase Nature Connectedness
- Provide CPD for staff
- Give staff the resources, skills and confidence to lead sessions themselves
- Have a long term impact on young pupils and your school

Who are Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust?

With over 20 years experience in delivery of educational programmes and successful partnerships with schools, Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust supported by The Ernest Cook Trust is offering this opportunity to a small number of Primary Schools*.

Our ambition is to restore, recreate and reconnect Gloucestershire's wild places. We want everyone in Gloucestershire to value, enjoy and share the natural world.



****Eligible schools must have 20% or more FSM eligible pupils.**

Limited number of places available for schools within Cheltenham in 2023/24



Why get involved?

Roots for a wilder future will provide you with a programme of educational content tailored to your schools needs in relation to areas such as:

- Supporting health and wellbeing agendas
- Curriculum objectives
- Enrichment ambitions
- School Improvement goals
- Improvement in 'Nature Connectedness'
- School grounds enhancement

How will it work?

- 10-15 sessions at your school spread over an academic year (2-3 per half term) including a visit to a local green space each full term.
- All sessions will be run on and tailored to your school site
- All resources developed and provided by GWT and will be curriculum linked where appropriate
- Content is flexible to your schools priorities
- Session led by experienced GWT staff with Enhanced DBS



Who are the Ernest Cook Trust?

This programme is supported by The Ernest Cook Trust. The Ernest Cook Trust provide and fund outdoor learning programmes for children and young people, to enable a deeper affinity with the natural world.