



What is Plant-for-the-Planet?

<https://www.plant-for-the-planet.org/>

Dear parents and carers

Plant-for-the-Planet is a UN Environment Programme which started as Africa's Green Belt Movement founded by Nobel Peace Prize winner Wangari Maathai. It developed into the international programme Plant-a-Billion Trees and in 2011 was formally handed over to the children of the world following 12-year old Felix Finkbeiner's entreaty to the UN in the same year.

Below is a link to an introductory video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=srFw46nc86M>

Now governed by an international board of trustees all aged 10-14, the project's aim is to empower the children of our planet to take a lead in promoting climate justice, mitigating climate change through tree planting and explaining to the adults of our world that they should 'Stop talking and start planting!'

Plant-for-the-Planet Academies, which are FREE, aim to train 10-to-12-year-olds as young United Nations Climate Justice Ambassadors. Very keen young environmentalists who are 9 or aged up to 14 are also invited to apply; preference is given to 10–12-year-olds but if spaces are available, the younger/ older applicants will be welcome.

With the completion of The Cabin in Harmony Woods, we are excited to announce that we will be holding two Academies in the wood in February and March. They will be Andover's 9th and 10th Academies, celebrating 10 years since our inaugural Academy a decade ago in 2014, when we were joined by Dr Jane Goodall.

Thursday 20th February: Open to all applicants aged 9-14

Thursday 6th March: Participating schools only



Registration for the half-term Academy is open to all 9–14-year-olds who wish to make a difference to the environmental impact human beings are having. As stated above, however, 10–12-year-olds will be prioritised if the Academy is oversubscribed.

To give you an idea of what to expect, a report featuring the Academy we held in March 2020 at Andover Golf Club can be found here:

www.andovertrees.org.uk/news-list/2020/3/11/50-young-united-nations-climate-ambassadors-trained-in-andover-academy

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