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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 4 Monday 26th November



Avalon School recently came 2nd nationally in the 'What's Under Your Feet' competition. A study, supported by EDF Energy and the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) which involved becoming citizen scientists and taking samples of soil and soil invertebrates on the school grounds.

As part of the prize we have won lots of bird feeders, bird identification charts and bird feed. We have also been selected by the Woodland Trust to receive a small copse of trees. The above year groups will be helping to plant and care for Silver Birch, Wild Cherry and Rowan trees.

On **Tuesday 27th** of Nov, **Year 4** will be helping to set up some areas with bird feeders and creating fat balls for the birds for the colder weather. They will also be planting trees and bulbs on the school grounds.

Please could children come in their school uniform but bring a change of old clothes for the planting? Children will need to be prepared for all weathers with suitable waterproof coats and wellies or spare shoes.

The bird feed butter and mixed bird seed contains nuts including peanuts. Children with nut allergies will not be handling this and will be given an option to create feeders with pumpkin seeds and dried mealworms. Please contact the office or Miss Tweed about this if you would like to discuss this any further. Additionally let the office know by 8:30 on Monday 26th Nov if you would like to withdraw your child from this activity or your child has allergies we are not yet aware of.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Callaway
Headteacher