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Dear Parent/Carer,

Last academic year, we were very proud to be awarded the Green Flag Eco Schools Award. This is something that our Eco Committee is very keen to keep working towards this year too.

We have already begun this by boosting the biodiversity of our school grounds by recycling our Halloween pumpkins into bird feeders.

Next, we would like to consider living more healthily, of which one way is to grow your own fruit. We have been invited to take part in the Free Fruit Trees for Children scheme which is part of the [Bristol One Tree Per Child](#) programme.

They have 4,700 small fruit trees to distribute this winter to schools around Bristol, and hope that as many children as possible can take a tree home, plant it and see it grow.

The trees have been funded by [Colas](#) as part of their Social Value commitment. Colas provide highway works for Bristol City Council.

The idea is for children to ask their parents or guardians to receive a free fruit tree. The trees would then be delivered to our school in December this year.

We hope to be awarded 75 trees.

The fruit trees:

Participating schools will be supplied with either an apple, pear or plum tree to. The trees will:

- be about one metre tall and come in a compostable bag with planting instructions and a small stake and a tie.
- be on a semi-vigorous root stock, so **they will grow to around 3 m tall with up to a 4 m spread of leaves (10 ft x 12ft).**
- need to be planted in the ground where there is **sufficient space for their full-grown size.**
- be suitable to be planted in pots but will need regular watering and their size will be limited.

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How it works:

1. Please return the attached flyer to school with your details and confirmation you will plant the tree at home, or that you have permission to plant the tree elsewhere such as at a grandparents' home. No personal data will be shared with the Bristol One Tree Per Child programme.
2. **Completed flyers need to be returned by Friday 11th November.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself on the playground or via Class Dojo.

Happy planting!

Kirsty McLeod

Vice Principal