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Dear Roots & Shoots Members,
Summer is here at last! Or not, maybe - this is the UK after all.

As always time is flying by! We have had one of our busiest periods yet in the history of our programme.

The year started with a bang, with two successful awards events in both the UK and Abu Dhabi. The events were exciting and rewarding. See inside for more details.

Our UAE programme is going from strength to strength with over 60 schools now involved. We will be launching our Twinning programme with UK schools so if you are interested in connecting with a school in Dubai or Abu Dhabi then please get in touch.

This Summer, over thirty-five international youth delegates are set to descend on the historic and grand location of Windsor Castle, for our Roots & Shoots annual leadership meeting.

Here in the UK, our young members have been even more active than ever before, if that is possible; we are so very proud of all of you and the great work that you are undertaking for our planet.

Read on to find out more...and happy holidays.

Tara Golshan
Executive Director, Education



Roots & Shoots UK team with TESIS young members

Photos: TESIS

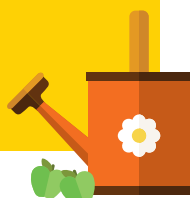
February 2016 saw the global anniversary of Roots & Shoots, which was set up 25 years ago by Dr Jane Goodall in Tanzania. Roots & Shoots groups around the world celebrated the anniversary with events and activities, and here in the UK we met with the Roots & Shoots group at TESIS, one of the most active Roots & Shoots schools in the UK, to celebrate with a tree planting ceremony, with over 750 students attending.

TESIS has been part of Roots & Shoots for a long time, and their Roots & Shoots Wildlife Club cares for wildlife in their local area, including learning how to compost waste material, hatch ducklings, organise prominent guest speakers, fundraising activities and more.



An apple tree was chosen as the ideal environmental tree, and of course with careful cultivation it will also produce fruit for the students to eat.

We also talked to students about the Roots & Shoots anniversary, learned more about the projects they are doing, and about their wonderful garden.



Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots UK Awards 2016

Roots & Shoots UK held its 9th annual Roots & Shoots Awards in March to once again celebrate the amazing achievements of our member groups and to recognise those individuals who have made an extraordinary contribution to our society.

Held at the Zoological Society of London, who undertake important conservation and biodiversity work worldwide.

There are over 1,600 Roots & Shoots groups in the UK, and 12 particularly stood out in their dedication and creativity. These groups have had a great impact not just within their own schools and colleges, but also in their local communities, with their family and friends, even reaching other schools in their area.

Each of the winners had the chance to meet Dr Jane Goodall in person, as well as a number of high profile guests from various conservation organisations and charities.

The second part of the evening was focused around the awards ceremony itself, with an inspiring talk from Dr Goodall, music from Besureis and a Fashion Show displaying garments made from recycled or upcycled materials.

Roots & Shoots UK Most Outstanding Photograph rewards artistic skill and creativity when it comes to highlighting the beauty of nature. Chris Hare of SEEVIC College deservedly won the prize for his picture 'Mare in the Mist'.

Sponsored by National Geographic Kids Magazine, Chris will enjoy a day as an NG Kids Magazine reporter.

17-year-old Isabella Harford of TASIS won the Roots & Shoots Most Outstanding Individual Award, for her project with the Romanian relief programme. The prize is sponsored by Quest Overseas and Isabella will be invited to join a Quest Overseas' team on one of their summer projects in South America or Africa.

The Most Outstanding Group Award was won by the James Allen's Prep School for their work raising money for people affected by the earthquake in Nepal. With some savvy and creative fundraising ideas, such as selling wristbands and making



Elephant herd, Sandfield Close Primary School



Isabella Harford from TASIS accepts the Most Outstanding Individual Award

packed lunches for class outings, they raised an incredible £22,000 in just two months. Inspirational! The prize was visiting RSPCA's Mallydams Wood rehabilitation and education centre.

The event ended with a 'Make, Do and Trend' – a fashion show with a difference from St Christopher's School. All the garments on show were designed and made by the students, and all are constructed from upcycled material. Each was eye catching in its own unique way, but the overall winner, chosen by ethical clothing company People Tree, was Felicity with Burberry Brilliance. It was a fantastic and inspirational day for all attending.

Most Outstanding Photograph Winning Photo, SEEVIC-College, Mare-in-the-mist-By-Chris-Hare



JAPS receiving their Most Outstanding Group Award, JAPS display (inset) on the Moving Mountains Project



Dr Jane with students



Make, Do and Trend Fashion Show models



All awards photos: Roger Marks Photography

Photo: Chris-Hare, SEEVIC-College

JAPS, Our Most Outstanding Group Winners' visit to RSPCA's Mallydams Wood Centre

In May, a group of girls from James Allen's Prep School visited Mallydams Wood RSPCA rehabilitation centre as part of their Most Outstanding Group prize at the Roots & Shoots Awards. We were delighted to be able to take 18 girls, all of whom have proved to be hard workers in the ethos of making the world a better place.

“ When we arrived at the centre, we had a fantastic game of predator, where some of our girls went and hid in the woods, having left the odd clue behind for the seekers to follow! It was amazing how we could camouflage ourselves and vanish (as long as we kept still and didn't giggle!)

In the wood, we came across a few hidden boxes... All set for our next task! On a desert island, what would you do with some sand, a sock, some cotton wool, twine and a magnifying glass? ...the girls had to decide what to do with each item in a bid to survive! Answers at the bottom!

The highlight of our visit was seeing the RSPCA animals... The orphaned fox cubs, the seals in their pond (one with an infected flipper :(And some water birds. We saw the de-oiling centre, where birds are brought if they have ended up in an oil slick.

It was a fantastic day, and the girls all loved their prize. Thank you so much to RSPCA and Roots & Shoots, for giving us this inspiring day out. Since we returned to school, I have one 9 year old girl who has decided to be an animal rights lawyer and has gone vegetarian; another who has built a hedgehog house, and all our R & S club are now encouraging their parents to buy them 'leaping bunny' products! Every little helps!

Written by: Susie Raimes, Senior Teacher, Middle School James Allen's Preparatory School



Our Most Outstanding Group Winners' visit to RSPCA's Mallydams Wood Centre.

- 1 and 2 survival game,
- 3 predator game,
- 4 rescue seal,
- 5 rescue fox cubs and
- 6 camouflaging.

All photographs this page: Roots & Shoots



Answer; use the sock and sand to filter your water, the twine can help make a shelter and the magnifying glass and cotton wool can light a fire!

Roots & Shoots around The World

Roots & Shoots is in over 130 countries across the globe, and often it is volunteers dedicated to the cause who manage the offices!

Daily political, social and economic challenges, project development and seeking funding are just a few of the things we have to deal with! In order to support each other a Global Meeting is held every two years where representative come together to brainstorm, exchange ideas and best practice and develop future strategies. Our Spanish office welcomed everyone to Barcelona. Topics included; key objectives; programme collaboration; cultural, staff and financial challenges; and developing a JGI Global governance structure based on common principles.

Roots & Shoots UAE Awards

Earlier in the year we celebrated the second Roots & Shoots awards in Abu Dhabi, hosted by the beautiful Park Hyatt Hotel, with nine schools presenting their work.

Dr Jane Goodall was there to meet the students and find out more about the amazing work they've been doing, and there were also representatives from the media, government and our respected partners.



Photo: EAD
Turtle Survival Challenge

The students were asked to present two things; firstly, a sustainable project as part of the 25th anniversary of Roots & Shoots, and secondly a '5 days of drought' challenge where students were asked to reduce their water usage for 5 days.

The "5 Days of Drought" involves significantly reducing the students daily water consumption in order to experience first-hand the challenges others face on a daily basis, and to learn how they could alter their behaviour on an ongoing basis in order to conserve water. By participating, they aimed to raise awareness about the plight of those



Barcelona 2015 JGI and Roots & Shoots Family



Photo: EAD
Dr Jane with students



Green School, Bali

Green School, Bali's Grade 1 collected used unwanted items for donation to the Smile Shop in Ubud. The Smile Shop is a second hand shop (think "thrift store") located in Ubud that sells used clothes, books, toys, household goods (including plates, towels, lamps-almost anything) in order to help pay for operations for people born with cleft palate, cleft lip, or any other craniofacial disabilities. This non-profit shop has helped 1,792 people to have these life changing operations. They have always been very appreciative of the generous support from Green School over the years and are always so happy to receive our "previously loved" goods. This collection drive was one of our school's Roots & Shoots projects. We are very honored to be working on the same "team" as Doctor Jane!

For more information please visit www.senyumbali.org/



Photo: Bangladesh School
Dr Jane and Bangladesh School

who lack access to water, as well as the overconsumption of water in the UAE, where the supply of water is already a challenging factor.

Bangladesh School impressed with their 25 projects – from planting Ghaf Trees to their No Plastic Campaign; from recycling water for the plants, to producing honey from their ECO garden (this project was featured on CNN).

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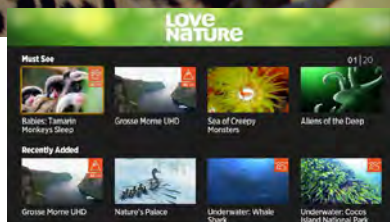
Roots & Shoots partners with Love Nature

Maintaining a genuine connection with Mother Nature is not easy for time-pressed parents.

A recent study found that in the UK alone 91% of parents think that having access to nature and wildlife is important for children, yet a whopping 78% of those same parents are concerned that their family don't spend enough time interacting with the natural world.

At Love Nature, we want to help address this disconnect with the great outdoors and we're starting with the two spaces every modern-day household frequents—TV and the Internet. We're a brand new video streaming service, a little bit like Netflix or Amazon Prime, but we focus purely on the good stuff: informative, family friendly and eye-opening documentaries from all corners of our natural world and beyond.

Watching documentaries about little-known creatures, pressing environmental issues and wild regions is an amazing way to educate and to fill entire families with the enchanting magic of our majestic world—and to inspire the next generation to take up



the principles of conservationism and the goodness that comes from drawing enjoyment from the great outdoors.

But of course we think attuning young ones—and indeed the whole family—to the powerful rhythms of nature shouldn't solely be done via a screen. That's why we're taking our commitment further, supporting and partnering with conservation organisations such as the Jane Goodall Institute to really help deliver meaningful change in the world of conservation and animal welfare. As a result, we're pledging part of every Love Nature subscription straight to JGI to help continue all the excellent work they're doing.

We're also pleased to announce that Love Nature will be the main sponsor of the annual Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots Awards in 2017.

Here's to connecting with nature, supporting it and experiencing it all in its most stunning light, even on a school night.

To celebrate this exciting new partnership, we're extending supporters of JGI an exclusive opportunity...

...to become part of our community of nature lovers and to watch great new shows such as *Norin's Ark*, *Wild Orphans* and *Zoo Juniors* – available via your Smart Television, Gaming Console or Connected Device*.

We're offering a **one month free trial** to our video streaming service, followed by 3 months half price discount. All you have to do is go to video.lovenature.com follow the steps and enter the code **LNJGIUK1** when prompted for your exclusive discount to the best nature documentaries on your TV and/or computer.

Postcards to Paris

Applemore College students have been voicing their concern to world leaders about Climate Change.

In December 2015, the United Nations and world leaders met in Paris for COP21, one of the largest conferences to have ever taken place. At the meeting world leaders aimed to achieve international agreement on combating climate change effectively and boosting the transition to more resilient, low carbon economies and societies.

To demonstrate that children want politicians to act on climate change, 'Sussed in the Forest' invited young people to design a 'Postcard to Paris', a 'No Cop Out' A5 card that sends a strong message to world leaders about the future they want to see and the action they would like leaders to take in Paris.

Applemore College Students have been



inspired to take action on this important topic, following a presentation at assembly by Gill Hickman, New Forest Sustainable Schools Co-ordinator and by Headteacher Mr Marsh in a KS4 science class.

Linking to current curriculum topics in Geography and Science, students designed and wrote postcards to World Leaders and politicians expressing their hopes for the Paris talks and about the importance of climate change.

Members of Applemore College's Eco Committee made their own postcards in their own time including Henry Rogers, a Year 7 who has a passion for being Ecofriendly.

These postcards were taken to world leaders at the UN climate talks in Paris by a team of environmental scientists from 'Pole to Paris', who travelled by bicycle and by foot from the polar regions to COP21. Some cards were also made into a large banner and carried on the Friends of the Earth climate march on 29th November to represent the voices of children.

Kilgarth 'Always Growing, Always Learning' Aspire project – achieving results against all the odds!

We are Kilgarth School – an award winning school for boys with social, emotional and mental health difficulties. Despite this, our students manage to achieve great results in school.

We are fortunate to have a Headteacher, Steven Baker who is held in high esteem for his creative leadership style. At the end of 2014, he initiated the Aspire project of which the main aim was to encourage our students to aspire towards success in life beyond their everyday experience.



Steven Baker Headteacher

Steven decided we should reach out to inspirational role models whose ability to motivate is unique and powerful. His plan was to obtain signed photos and some words of wisdom, which we could use to create a book to give to our students.

Flyers were then designed in partnership with an associate graphic designer; it was agreed that we would

incorporate our recent successes within the wording of the flyer as we have won a string of awards over the past few years including an unprecedented four Pearson Teaching Awards in 2014/15.

Following the circulation of our flyers, we have received a great response, including some fantastic words of wisdom from Jane Goodall of the Jane Goodall Institute:

“Follow your dreams. And remember, every day you live you make a difference in the world and you have a choice – what sort of difference will you make? Together we can change the world.”

Signed photos and words of wisdom arrived over the last 12 months and we have just had them printed. We are going to give each student a copy to show them that they do not need to face the challenges of the future

alone and that they should aspire to achieve great things. We are grateful to all you inspirational people out there who have supported us.



Tara releasing a rescue turtle

Diary Life of our Executive Director...

JANUARY	Week in AD – for AD awards	Wathba and mangroves visit
MARCH	London UK awards	
APRIL	Trip to Prague to develop R&S programme	
JUNE	Week in AD visiting schools	
JULY	(upcoming week in Windsor)	

