DEREHAM CHURCH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL



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Dear parents/carers,

We are very excited to be taking part as a whole school in a challenge set by The Wildlife Trust. The challenge is called '30 Days Wild' and is an annual challenge set by The Wildlife Trust to encourage people to spend time outside in nature. The challenge asks people to do one wild thing every day throughout the month of June. As a school, we are going to attempt this challenge but extend the period by challenging ourselves to do something wild everyday over the next half term.

Through completing the challenge, we hope to inspire the children to learn more about nature, wildlife and explore their surroundings. We will discuss with the children ways to look after the local environment as well as considering their wider impact on the planet. Not only does the challenge promote scientific learning but being outside in nature is also a fantastic way of improving physical and mental wellbeing.

On **Friday 23rd June 2023**, the children are invited to **dress up** as their favourite wildlife creature or something from nature such as flowers or plants. Please see below for ideas.

We are also encouraging the children to continue to be wild and explore nature outside of school. Please help your child to do this by completing some of the challenge ideas set by The Wildlife Trust. There are many brilliant ideas on their website at: <u>https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/3odayswild</u> The challenges range from easy, short activities to others that can require more time. Some challenges are simple and quick such as cloud watching or completing a bug hunt. There are also lots of other lovely ideas online for nature activities. Please feel free to complete any different nature activities; they do not have to be listed on The Wildlife Trust website only.

Please find attached a 30-day grid to record the activities children complete outside of school. Your child could record these by writing, drawing, taking photos or gluing bits onto the grid that they have found during a nature hunt. We would love to see some of the challenges the children complete so please do send things into school for your child to share!

Children will receive a certificate towards the end of the half term if they have completed 30 wild challenges and returned the attached grid. Please remember to write your child's name and class onto the grid before returning to school. There will also be a draw of all entries and prizes given.

Thank you for your continual support, Miss Webster Science lead

