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Outdoor Learning Tree Hut

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We're raising funds to build a Learning Tree Hut to support our successful Outdoor Learning programme at school.

£2,557 raised of £3,000 target 85%
56 supporters 5 days left

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Rowland's Castle Schools

Imagine a classroom up in the trees, with secret viewing platforms over the school playground and pond. A wooden hut hidden away amongst the branches and wildlife but big enough to fit a class of 30, maths lessons and story time would never be the same again.

At St John's CEC Primary School in Rowlands Castle, Hampshire, our dreams of a Learning Tree Hut in a quiet corner of our playground is so close to reality. We just need a final £3,000 to make it happen.

We are really lucky at our local primary school – we have lots of outdoor space for our children to run around but we have dreams to make it the best outdoor environment for our children to learn and grow. We've worked hard over the last few years make it happen through fundraising and hard graft.

Our successful Outdoor Learning Project has seen parts of our playground and field transformed into an exciting learning environment for our children. The children's ideas and wishes have been at the heart of this. The Learning Tree Hut is the culmination of their dreams - a timber hut built over the top of some large containers, complete with a viewing platform to see wildlife activity around the school pond and grounds. We're even hoping for an exit slide – what a great way to finish a lesson!



Our state school attracts pupils from a mixed cohort, with children attending from our local village and one of Europe's largest council estates nearby. We use Outdoor Learning to engage children with the curriculum and achieve higher educational attainment, increased physical activity and environmental education.

The Learning Tree Hut will give us a base for our Outdoor Learning and Forest Schools programme (and the dedicated teacher that leads it) and provide a weather-protected area, to take a class of 30-pupils. There will be windows and binoculars available for viewing.





How can you help us make our Classroom In The Sky a reality?

The learning hut will cost £18,000. We've already raised £15,000 and need a final £3000 to get the hut built in 2015. You can help in 2 ways.

- Pledge now** – Please donate some money to help us reach our final target. You can give as little as £5. Just click on the pledge button on the right. It'll take you less than 2 minutes to donate and you'll earn some lovely rewards in return from the school.
- Tell your family, friends and the world and **share our dream**. Even if you can't give money, just sharing our story with your own social networks will help spread the word. You never know who might be able to help us out. It's simple to spread the word, just hit the share buttons underneath the video – a facebook like or a tweet will go a long way.

Your school days may be over but just imagine if you learnt to read in a treehouse. Wouldn't it make you keener to go to school?

Rewards

Pledge £5
THE FEEL GOOD FACTOR: A massive thank you from the children of our school and the personal satisfaction of supporting a great project!
18 claimed so far
Select reward

Pledge £10
CERTIFICATE: A personalized certificate from the children at school acknowledging your kind support.
17 claimed so far
Select reward

Pledge £20
PERSONAL LETTER: A letter from one of our children saying a big thank you for your support.
18 claimed so far
Select reward

Pledge £35
ORIGINAL ART-WORK THANK YOU CARD: A thank you card especially created by one of our talented children. Guaranteed to be an original that can't be bought!
14 claimed so far
Select reward

Pledge £50
ORIGINAL WILLOW-PENCILS: Four pencils, hand-made by the children at our school. Put them in water and watch them sprout!
14 claimed so far
Select reward

Pledge £80
ORIGINAL CHARCOIL FROM OUR WILLOW-DOME: 4-pieces of artists charcoal, hand-made by the children at our school, from off-cuttings from our Willow Dome.
0 claimed so far
Select reward

Pledge £100
GUIDED TOUR: A guided tour of the school to see Outdoor Learning in action!
3 claimed so far
Select reward

Pledge £200
AFTERNOON TEA AT SCHOOL: An invitation to our school for Afternoon Tea and a guided tour of the school to see our Outdoor Learning in action!
3 claimed so far
Select reward

Have a clear, memorable title

Set out clear, concise aims for your project

Have a realistic target

Show a good choice of rewards at varying price points

Keep your crowd connected by posting regular updates

Create an engaging video that's approximately two minutes long

Encourage people to share your project link

Include eye-catching visuals

Use clear subheadings