

PRESS RELEASE



Groundwork Green Aiders

Stevenage, Hertfordshire, 14th March 2008

Groundwork Hertfordshire's Green Aiders has worked their magic for another school. Larwood School were extremely grateful to the many volunteers who helped to shape several courtyard gardens which were looking bare and dull. Residents of Hertfordshire and a few staff members of T Mobile and Allen Creative in Hitchin all helped to transform the areas with the planting of over 150 plants! The pupils will enjoy using the courtyard gardens as spaces to relax and learn.

Ian Reid, Head of Care at the school said

“Amazing. So many people from all over Hertfordshire all with varying abilities really mucked in to help on the day. The sun shone for us and everyone had a great time meeting each other. The school are immensely grateful to everyone for all their help”.

The Green Aiders volunteer programme is funded by the National Lottery through Awards for All and The Robert Kiln Charitable Trust providing monthly volunteer opportunities in both Stevenage and Broxbourne. The aim of the programme is to encourage local residents to get involved in their local communities whilst providing an opportunity to keep fit, develop new skills and meet friends.

Sherry Robinson, Groundwork Community Project Officer said

“Thanks to everyone who came along. You all made it an amazing Green Aider event”.

Groundwork Hertfordshire hope to raise funding to continue the Green Aider Programme in May 2008. If you are a member of the community / from a business

and you would like to volunteer in local community, keep checking the Groundwork website for task dates at <http://www.groundwork.org.uk/hertfordshire>

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Groundwork Hertfordshire

Groundwork Hertfordshire is a leading member of a federation of over 40 Groundwork trusts across the UK. Groundwork Hertfordshire works with all sectors of the community to improve the environment and create sustainable communities that are vibrant, healthy and safe.

For more information, please visit our web site at

www.groundwork.org.uk/hertfordshire

Larwood School

Larwood School is a primary day/residential special school for boys and girls with emotional and behavioural difficulties which has been named after Harold Larwood, the English bowler. Our school has places for 65 pupils in Key Stages 1 and 2.

The school ethos and approach to pupil behaviour management is underpinned by the philosophy and belief that children will respond well when adults treat them positively. We therefore look to praise the children when their behaviour is positive, appropriate and when they engage in learning.