

Willow Planting

December 2013

Muirfield Primary took part in a whole school willow planting project part funded by Greenspace and Sheddockley Church

We began by planting a willow fence. First we drew and planted different designs



We had to push a spike into the ground to make the hole for the willow



We worked as a team pushing the willow
into the ground



‘I enjoyed the teamwork. I was the one carrying the willow. I learned how to plant willow and how to look after it’

Ryan P4

‘I enjoyed working as a team. I pushed the willow into the hole’

TJ P6



We planned our design and tied the willows together carefully with rubber ties



‘I liked tying the knots. I used rubber, squishy things so that the willow can grow’

Nathan P2

‘I learned that willow bends but doesn’t really break’

Kieran P2





‘It was fun when we got to stick
the willow together’

Taylor P3/4

‘I learned to look after nature’

Sherrie P3/4

Everyone was very creative!



There is 93 metres of willow fencing!



Behind our school we have
barbed wire and litter



We hope our willow designs will
hide this



I hope the willow grows up nice
and hides what is behind the
fence'

Mitchell P7

We hope our willow fence grows and
hides the industrial units behind us



We planned a tunnel but before planting the ground had to be prepared



and the willow had to be sorted
into piles



The tunnel started to take shape



We wove in canes to try and make it strong



We hope when it starts to grow that it looks like this



We planted an igloo. First holes had to be dug and canes inserted into the holes.



We can stand up in the igloo





We hope our igloo grows to look like this



We planted an arbour to overlook our bike track



We wove the canes over to form
the shape



‘The lady was really nice and I learned that willow can grow into different shapes’

Kian P7

‘I enjoyed planting the willow. It was really fun sticking the spike into the ground, bending and tying the willow.’

Jack P7

Alison, our willow artist, explained willow techniques to the children





We hope to put a bench in our arbour in the summertime

