

RAISE CASH AND WIN SCHOOL A PRIZE



TREE-MENDOUS FACTS & FIGURES

- 1 IN 50 years one tree recycles £60,000-worth of water, provides £50,000-worth of erosion control, £100,000-worth of air pollution control, and produces £60,000-worth of oxygen.
- 2 An average mature tree provides enough oxygen each year for a family of four for a day.
- 3 There are more than 80,000 different tree species.
- 4 An average mature tree can pull 100 gallons of water out of the ground and pump it into the air every day.
- 5 One person causes about 10 tonnes of carbon dioxide to be emitted a year. One tree removes about one tonne of CO₂ per year.
- 6 A mature birch tree can produce one million seeds every year.
- 7 Trees are the longest living and largest living organisms on the planet. The world's oldest trees are thought to be Bristlecone pines in the USA, which have been dated at 4,600 years old. The oldest tree in Scotland — and Europe — is the yew at Fortingall, which is estimated to be over 3,000 years old.
- 8 By cooling the air and ground around them, the shade from trees helps reduce the Earth's temperature.
- 9 Hospital patients heal faster, require shorter stays and less painkillers if their room windows face trees.
- 10 People who plant trees become healthier, better-looking, richer, and have more friends — well maybe that's stretching it a bit. Try it ... and find out.

FIRMS CAN HELP TOO

BIG-HEARTED company bosses can help with the fundraising too. If you want to support your local school — or just send in a donation — then contact: Global Trees, 14 Coates Crescent, Edinburgh, EH3 7AF.
 Global Trees is a charity registered in Scotland. Charity number SC037874



Shake your money tree

IT'S time to get those thinking caps on, kids ... and win your school a priceless prize.

The Scottish Sun is hunting for the greenest schools in the country to help us do our bit to fight climate change.

We've teamed up with our pals at the charity Global Trees to raise money to plant a new Scottish Sun Forest.

And we want the help of you, schoolkids to fund the project. All you have to do is think up new and exciting ways to raise cash.

Maybe a fancy dress fun-run or your version of The X Factor. There must be hundreds of wacky ideas out there.

The first stage is to decide what you want to do. We've printed a special form below to send in and let us know.

Then get out there and do it — raising cash for the forest and helping in a small, but important way to stave off the problems of climate change.

We'll be featuring the best of the ideas — maybe **YOUR** school — regularly in *The Scot-*

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tish Sun over the next few months. So get thinking **NOW**.

The school that raises the most money before the summer holidays next year will win a specially-commissioned statue by world-famous artist Andy Scott.

He's the man responsible for the amazing Heavy Horse of the M8 motorway, the Ibrox Disaster Memorial in Govan and Kelvingrove Museum's swordsman in Glasgow.

Planted

EVERY school which takes part and raises money will be awarded a commemorative plaque. For every £5 raised, Global Trees will buy a tree that will be planted by the Central Scotland Forest Trust in the New Scottish Sun Forest at Carron between Falkirk and Stirling.

That covers the cost of the tree, ground preparation, planting, ongoing maintenance and fencing. It's a great chance to do your bit for the planet and it could be great fun.

So get thinking, kids. The contest begins **TODAY**.



OUR FUNDRAISING IDEA



NAME OF SCHOOL:
 ADDRESS:

WE HAVE HAD A GREAT IDEA TO RAISE MONEY TO PLANT A NEW FOREST. THIS IS IT:

I CONFIRM THIS HAS MY AUTHORISATION:
 NAME: (HEADTEACHER)
 SIGNED: TEL NO:

SEND TO: THE SCOTTISH SUN, GUILDHALL, 57 QUEEN STREET, GLASGOW, G1 3EN

