

Fyffes Growing Boxes Special

This special newsletter has been written to show the development of the Fyffes funded growing boxes project that is being set up to further enhance the gardening and growing work that is being done at President Kennedy School and Parkgate Primary School.....



The Whole Project Philosophy.....

This project has been set up to show how you can produce your own food in a relatively easy way – with some basic knowledge, easy to obtain materials that you can produce your own growing containers [boxes], then you are all set to start off growing your own produce. If you want to get even more sophisticated and organised, then you can add a wormery into your growing system which will then allow you to fertilise and replenish your own soil.....
Follow the story over the next few pages.....



Here you can see the starting point of the growing boxes project. The manufacture of the growing boxes has started.....

Fyffes Growing Boxes



Growing Boxes production continuing.....

Here you can see the production of the Growing Boxes is continuing.....



What the Growing Boxes Project Entails.....

President Kennedy School, part of The Futures Trust has received a super financial boost to their school gardening project with the news that they have received some sponsorship funding that will fund a Growing Boxes initiative.

Not only will this funding assist President Kennedy School but the overall Growing Boxes initiative will also involve Parkgate Primary School another school that is part of The Futures Trust.

This Growing Boxes project will cover lots of different areas of the curriculum but more importantly will teach children and young people the value of preparing and constructing a growing area [Growing Box], sowing seed or planting out and then nurturing the plants to produce food – fresh, “organic” food and then have the opportunity to prepare and cook this fresh produce, ultimately then enjoying the satisfaction of knowing that through their own efforts, they have accomplished this growing work.

The sponsorship funding has come from Fyffes who over the last 125 years have been growing, sourcing, shipping, ripening, distributing and marketing tropical fruits such as bananas, pineapples and melons.

Employing over 6000 people with offices in 12 different countries, Fyffes are passionate about tropical fruits and are considered the world leaders in making these wonderful tropical fruits available to the community across the world.

Mr Paul Barrett, UK Brand Manager commented that “Fyffes is delighted to be working with President Kennedy School and Parkgate Primary School and we can’t wait to see the efforts of the students and the children taking place.

The plans being put together look amazing..... and are especially supportive of The Futures Trust Building Brighter Futures ambition!”



Growing Boxes already built...



Lots more boxes.....



Fyffes Growing Boxes complete with labels.....



The Fyffes growing boxes have been built in two sizes with two different growing depths to suit crops that do not need a deep root growing depth plus there are deeper boxes to suit root crops such as carrots and potatoes.....

Fyffes Growing Boxes set up at Parkgate Primary School.....



Parkgate wormery all set up..

Wormery in operation.....



Some of the Fyffes growing boxes and the wormery all set up ready for the growing work to start come the spring. Lots more growing boxes to be set up yet.....

