

# Barnes Farm Junior School

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Dear Year 3 Parents,

This term our big question is **“Are we too small to make a difference?”**

This includes learning about rainforests; conservation; the climate crisis; endangered species; recycling; plastic, air and water pollution; sustainability and deforestation. We will also be looking at The Mayan Civilisation, chocolate, and fair trade later in the term.

This term we will have only one task, stretching across both half-terms. We would like the children to complete a project titled *There is No Planet B*. The children are encouraged to be creative with their projects!

Some ideas include:

- Make a PowerPoint about an organisation such as Rainforest Alliance, WWF or WIRES Australia
- Create a diorama of an endangered species in its habitat. Try to use items you already have at home.
- Make a list of sustainably sourced food items found in your local supermarket.
- Look in your fridge. Is anything unnecessarily wrapped in plastic? Write a letter to the company or supermarket explaining why we should do away with single-use plastics.
- Write a fact file about Marina Silva, Sir David Attenborough, William Kamkwamba, Melati and Isabel Wijsen, or another “Earth Hero”
- Make beeswax wraps to use in your packed lunches.
- Create a compost bin in your garden.
- Learn how to sew up holes in your old clothes so they can be reworn.
- Pick up litter in our community.
- Make your own soap, cleaning products, shampoo or conditioner using natural ingredients.
- Keep a diary of how much waste your family produces each week and what can be recycled, reused or composted.
- Upcycle rubbish to create something new and useful, or a piece of art for your home.
- Calculate your carbon footprint on [footprint.wwf.org.uk](http://footprint.wwf.org.uk). How will you offset this?
- Create a poster about the 2019 Amazon rainforest wildfires or the bushfires currently burning in Australia. Persuade others to donate to these causes.



The project should be handed in by the Friday of the first week after the Easter holidays - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

We look forward to viewing your project!

Yours sincerely,

Mr Smart, Mrs Crumlish and Mrs Jordan

