

OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY



Dear brilliant teacher, head teacher or educator!

Will you get involved in **Outdoor Classroom Day** on **17 May 2018**? Can everyone go outdoors for at least one lesson? And could you celebrate your playtime too? As a parent/grandparent/aunty/neighbour/friend/ human being this is a campaign I really believe is important.

Outdoor Classroom Day is a day to **celebrate** outdoor learning and play, and to **inspire** schools everywhere to make outdoor learning and play part of **every** day.

Why?

- **95%** of teachers say taking lessons outdoors make them more enjoyable
- **90%** of pupils who go outdoors to learn feel happier and healthier
- **96%** of parents say play enables children to become well-rounded adultsⁱ

As well as teaching children critical life skills, schools that introduce more freedom to play and more outdoor learning see less bullying, fewer accidents and greater readiness to learn. Children **and** teachers say it makes school much more enjoyable too.

To get involved, simply sign up a single class or, preferably, your whole school!

To register and to access lots of free resources to help you plan for the day (and beyond), please visit the website: <https://outdoorclassroomday.org.uk/> or just search 'Outdoor Classroom Day'.

Thank you, together I believe that we can ensure the brightest possible future for all our children!

Yours sincerely

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The global Outdoor Classroom Day is led by Project Dirt, in partnership with Unilever as part of their Dirt is Good movement. The partners support local NGOs and Dirt is Good teams to deliver the campaign in countries around the world.

ⁱ For links to sources, and some more information, please see: <https://outdoorclassroomday.org.uk/>

