



Forest of Promises



About this Learning Resource:

This resource is inspired by a project carried out for COP26 where hundreds of UK school students created a forest of promises with messages they wanted world leaders to see.

This resource encourages students to think about ways they can look after the environment by taking actions or making changes. This resource could result in a classroom display. For more inspiration, explore the World Wildlife Foundation's (WWF's) Forest of Promises here:

<https://www.wwf.org.uk/get-involved/schools/forest-of-promises>

How to use this resource:

- You will need: pencils and scissors.
- Students work together or individually to come up with ways they can help slow climate change. Each student writes a promise or action on a leaf, committing to it.
- Students may cut out the leaves and make a display for your classroom.
- Use this resource to discuss how our actions impact on the environment and contribute to climate change.
- Discuss what Chelsea Physic Garden does to help the environment, plants, and animals.

National Curriculum Links:

KS1 Science

- Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons.

KS2 Science

- Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

KS2 English

- Share opinions on things that matter to them and explain their views.
- Provide reasoned justification for their views.

KS3 Citizenship

- Learn about the roles played by public institutions and voluntary groups in society, and the ways in which citizens work together to improve their communities, including opportunities to participate in school-based activities.

Chelsea Physic Garden Visit

This resource supports all visits to Chelsea Physic Garden and can be used in the classroom at any time.

Learning Objectives:

- Students will foster their curiosity and work on their observational skills.
- Students will practice speaking and listening with peers.





Forest of Promises: Leaf Activity



What can we do to reduce the climate emergency?

Chelsea Physic Garden is promising to help the planet by:

1. Collecting rainwater for watering their gardens and houseplants.
2. Making their own compost if they can or commit to going peat-free.
3. Using a reusable cup for hot drinks when on the go.

What will you do?

Take a moment to brainstorm some ideas individually and with your classmates.

Write the promise (or promises) on the leaf below that you are committing to do to help the environment.

Cut out your leaf for a class display. Can you make a forest of promises in your classroom?

