

## Community building Borrowfield Primary School

Borrowfield Primary School had a fantastic focus on community involvement as part of their LEAF Award. Here are some of the things they got up to.

We involved lots of local organisations in our LEAF activities. Jackie and David from the Montrose Rotary Club helped with our outdoor spaces. Alison, who works in the Montrose basin came to talk to the children about her job and she also brought along some fluffy feathers and a birds' nest. Our children went to Montrose beach to assist the Montrose Bay Community Group with cleaning the beach. They really enjoyed themselves and would love to do it again.





We contacted the Woodland Trust, and they were delighted to send us hundreds of saplings. We planted a hedge row down one side of the school. We also planted saplings around an area that is always getting super muddy. The children enjoyed learning about the hazelnut trees. We also applied for funding and received £200 towards fruit trees. We now have our very own school orchard which is awesome.

We have a community shed, which includes a food & clothes bank, books, games and new school uniforms. Everything in this shed is free to take. We also have bikes for free which were donated by MenShed. GEMS Men's Shed built our outdoor stage and ever since the grand opening it has been danced on every day since!





We sent an invite to the people who visit Poppy's Community Cafe to come and join us for hot chocolate around our fire and to sing some songs. The gentleman who runs the cafe replied to say a lot of the people who go are elderly and would it be ok if we joined them at their cafe. So of course we said yes! We carried out intergenerational art and it was so much fun for everyone.

We invited families to our outdoor classroom to join us for some hot chocolate and a sing song.

