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## Schools picked to take part in tree planting

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**A new initiative will give eight Fareham schools their own apple trees.**

Today, Ranvilles Junior School became the first school to have the apple trees planted, and will be followed by West Hill Park, Wicor and St Jude's Primary School later in the week. Other schools will be getting involved later.

The initiative, thought to be the first of its kind in Hampshire, is being run by voluntary group, Transition Town: Fareham, whose goal is to champion less carbon-intensive living in the area.

Thanks to Community Action Team funding provided by Fareham Borough Council, the group will visit a total of eight junior schools in the borough, educating children about the benefits of growing and eating your own food, and planting the trees.

Angela Williams, headteacher at Ranvilles, said: 'The children are really excited and eager to engage with this practical project.'

'The school's green team and some children from year six will help to plant the trees and then share with their peers key messages from the experience.'

There are more than 300 transition towns in the country and founder of the Fareham initiative, Ellie Garwood, said: 'We are thrilled with the response we have had from the council and the schools involved. Planting apple trees is a simple way of getting local people involved in local food production.'

