

Press release
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Hackney Homes gardeners recruit school children for the day

Hackney Homes' gardeners were assisted by school children from Sebright Primary school this week, to plant a selection of trees on Whiston Estate, Hackney.

31 young children from the primary school worked alongside Hackney Homes staff to plant pear, apple, oak and lilac trees. They learnt about each tree and had fun getting involved in digging and planting. There were plenty of smiles from the children by the end of the day.

Hackney Homes gardener, Michael Brawn said: "Days like this encourage children to build a relationship with their environment and be proud of the green spaces that they use every day."

James Green, Teacher from Seabright School thanked Hackney Homes for taking the school children to help plant trees and said:

"It's lovely to see our children getting involved with improving their areas, creating more green spaces and having an appreciation of nature and their environment."

Christopher Tabi, Head of Estate Environment said: "Planting trees on our estate help the environment as well as making the estates greener and brighter for our residents to enjoy."

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Notes to Editors

- Hackney Homes is an arms-length management organisation managing around 30,000 council properties in the borough of Hackney.