

4<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

**RE: Horticulture Project at Bexhill Academy**

I am writing on behalf of the Year 9 Science Connect group at Bexhill Academy. As part of our science curriculum, we are working towards the Royal Horticultural Society's Gardening in Schools awards. A team of 12 of us are working together to set up a horticulture project that will be run at Bexhill Academy. This includes developing an allotment with raised beds to grow vegetables (these will be used in our Food Technology lessons), a fruit growing area, a wildlife area and a well-being and sensory area. Our project is going to help with the environment and will be sustainable, including using second hand and donated tools/storage areas, collecting our own seeds and also selling produce and items made from our own produce. We will initially be growing potatoes, beetroots, carrots, beans and cabbages.

We are writing to ask if you would be able to donate any items to support us with this project. Our aim is to get the project built over the winter months ready for spring planting. We have already received some kind donations of tools and plastic material to support with our work. Please contact [trudy.hillman@bexhillacademy.org](mailto:trudy.hillman@bexhillacademy.org) (Deputy Head Teacher) if you are able to help in any way.

I hope you can help us with some of the donations. If you require any further information on our project, we would be happy to present to you our ideas and show you the area for development. We were required to present to the Head Teacher to get permission to start this project.

Thank you in advance for any support you are able to give us.

Yours faithfully

Year 9 Connect Students