



SOUTH WILTS GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We're thrilled to invite you to our very first Ground Force Day on Saturday, 11th October 2025, in collaboration with Friends of South Wilts. Join us for a fun, feel-good autumnal day as we roll up our sleeves and give the outdoor spaces at South Wilts a fabulous refresh!

You may have heard from students about our plan to "bulb bomb" the school—and it's true! Our goal is to plant spring bulbs across the site ready for a colourful display in the spring. We've already gathered hundreds of bulbs. With your help, we're hoping to plant these and hundreds more!

What's happening on the day?

There'll be a range of light and enjoyable tasks for all, including:

- Planting spring bulbs across the grounds
- Filling planters with soil, ready for our "*Greening The Quads*" project
- Planting beautiful wisteria alongside our Old Building
- Putting the veg patch "to bed" for winter

It's will be a relaxed, drop-in event—come along anytime between 10:00 and 14:00, for as long (or as little) as you like. Every pair of hands counts, and no gardening experience is needed! To keep you refreshed and energised, Friends of South Wilts will be providing hot and cold drinks throughout the day. If you do intend to come, please could you complete the following Microsoft Form so that we have an idea of how many pairs of keen hands we will have on the day: <https://forms.office.com/e/k9j2Wrhhv3>

While we warmly encourage students to join us on the day, we kindly ask that they are accompanied by a responsible adult. Sixth Form students are welcome to attend independently.

What to bring:

Please bring gardening gloves and a small hand trowel if you can. Sensible clothing and footwear advised!

Can't make it?

No problem! You can still get involved by sending your child in with a bag of spring bulbs—we'll make sure they're planted on your behalf. Plus, KS3 and KS4 tutor groups will be competing to collect the largest total mass of bulbs, with prizes up for grabs for the winning groups!

Let's work together to make our school bloom—we can't wait to see you there!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Briton and Mr Lawrence (Sustainability Leads) and Friends of South Wilts Grammar School

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