



ENO TREE PLANTING DAY - PEACE IS GREEN

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This event is also very special now for the ENO Programme. It will celebrate the 10th anniversary of the ENO Programme. It started with 50 schools in a rural Finnish village called Eno and in 10 years has spread to thousands of schools in 150 countries. Millions of children and youth have been involved with their teachers and local communities.

Our goal is to get 10 000 schools and youth groups involved. They are warmly invited to join this event and asked to register on the event website, by 14th of September 2010. Detailed instructions, more information and material can be found on the event website. Welcome to join us!

ENO Tree Planting Day:

<http://www.enotreeday.net>

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* Environment Online – ENO is a global virtual school and network for sustainable development. It was founded in 2000 and is coordinated by ENO Programme Association based in Joensuu, Finland

PREPARATIONS

1. Plant only trees that are typical for your climate and dominant tree species in your region.
2. Choose suitable places for trees and dig holes in advance.
3. Take contact with local experts and find sponsors for your seedlings.
4. Find students who will plant trees
5. Involve local people from your community to take part
6. Choose a student who will have a short speech (see below)
7. Prepare to take photos and videos during the occasion.
8. Invite other schools and special guests to join this event, probably one of them could give a short speech.
9. Make a world map with all the countries involved in tree planting
10. Get local media involved (see draft below)

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Date: Tuesday, 21st of September 2010

Time: at 12.00-12.30 local time (or around noon)

1. Go to your tree planting site and gather around the seedling/s
2. A student gives his/her speech
3. Students plant trees together with adults (teachers, local people)
4. ENO Tree Planting Song “*Hi and ho - we plant trees!*” or music/dance by students
5. A speech by your special guest.
6. Arrange a group photo, where students and audience gather around the tree seedlings.

Additional material: The Drops Of Life (ENO Tree Planting play): www.enotreeplay.net

AFTERWARDS

7. Make a short report including
 - a) Name of your school.
 - b) Your city.
 - c) Your country.
 - d) The number of participants.
 - e) Include one photo of your event (and only one as we have many participants).
 - f) If you have recorded a video clip, please don't send it to us, but put it online (like Youtube) and add the link in the report. We will then forward these links onto our website together with the photo.
8. Send your report by email, see below addresses for different continents:
 - Africa: photosafrica@enoprogramme.org
 - Americas: photosamerica@enoprogramme.org
 - Asia & Oceania: photosasia@enoprogramme.org
 - Europe: photoseurope@enoprogramme.org
9. Share your comments in the guestbook on www.enotreeday.net
10. Take care of your trees and follow their growth!



MATERIAL FOR THE DAY

A SPEECH

Our environment is important for us. Not only locally but also globally around the world. Today it's time to lay focus on the environment and peace. We do this special deed together with thousands of schools and youth groups around the world. We plant trees today with our friends in the North, South, East and West. The first trees are planted in Oceania. Then, following the Sun, trees will be planted in Asia, Europe and Africa. The last trees will be put to Earth in the North and South America. Thousands of schools in about 150 countries are planting trees with us.

Today is the international day of peace. The United Nations has chosen the theme Youth, Peace and Development for this year's observance. The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) are eight international development goals that all 192 United Nations member states have agreed to achieve by the year 2015. They include reducing extreme poverty, reducing child mortality rates, fighting disease epidemics such as AIDS, and developing a global partnership for development. All of them are based upon the premise that development must be for peace. We, children and youth, are doing our part.

This event is not a separate one but an ongoing campaign for the environment and peace. So far schools have planted about five million trees in this campaign organised by Environment Online, a global virtual school and network for sustainable development, based in Joensuu, Finland. Now we are also celebrating the 10th anniversary of the ENO Programme. It started in a small rural village in Finland and has now reached millions of children, youth and their teachers and parents. Small can become big and one can make a difference. We are proud to be a part of this.

A tree is a symbol for us. Firstly, it reminds us of nature and the importance of environmental protection. Secondly, it symbolizes our co-operation between schools around the world. We support cultural diversity and tolerance. As it is an international day for peace we mark these trees as peace trees. We hope to grow together with our trees in the future and for the future. Peace is green!

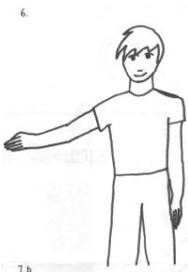
HI AND HO: WE PLANT TREES! / ENO TREE PLANTING SONG

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| <p>1. We need to save the forest This has to be our goal. For many different species It plays a major role</p> <p>We want to have some action Save life with our own way. This gives us satisfaction We celebrate today:</p> <p>Hi and ho We plant trees For environment And peace!</p> <p>North and South East and West Trees will grow High and low!</p> <p>Hi and ho We plant trees Want to see A lot of green!</p> <p>Grow with them And learn to live In peace and harmony.</p> | <p>2. Now we have a chain of trees That runs around the globe. We understand each other Same language we spoke.</p> <p>We have made a difference And shared this special thing Now children of the world Let's altogether sing:</p> <p>Hi and ho We plant trees For environment And peace!</p> <p>North and South East and West Trees will grow High and low!</p> <p>Hi and ho We plant trees Want to see A lot of green!</p> <p>Grow with them And learn to live In peace and harmony.</p> <p>Lyrics and music: Mika Vanhanen</p> |
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You can download the song and sheet music on the web : www.enotreeday.net



Hi and ho, we plant trees for environment and peace



North and South East and West trees will grow, high and low



Hi and ho, we plant trees, want to see a lot of green.



Grow with them and learn to live in peace and harmony

Kuvat : Elise Alppimaa 6A
Nepenmäen koulu

avustus : Oona Härkönen 6A
Nepenmäen koulu



Trees Will Be Planted All Over the World on Tuesday

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There are two organised ENO Tree Planting Days in a year, besides September 21st also May 22nd. Tree planting will not remain a single event, but the trees will be cared for and their growth and development will be watched in the future as well. The planting will be documented and the experiences shared. It is also a ceremonial event including a speech and a dedicated song. An optional play for the occasion has been translated into 40 languages.

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We invite the media to view report the local tree planting event

Date: September 21st 2010

Time:

Place where the trees will be planted:

School:

Class:

Eventual partners of co-operation:

Contact person and his contact information:

Visit the website www.enotreeday.net for more information, pictures and videos on the event.

"Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible." – St. Francis of Assisi (1181–1226)