

## Sharing Practice webinar with Ballycraig Primary School

Some useful ideas of support, funding, partners and resources that have helped Ballycraig School over the past few years and could support your own Growing and Outdoor Learning journey (more links can be found on the Growing for the Future website under [Useful Resources](#)).

### Support, Resources and Funding

- Local Councils: Contact the Biodiversity Officer
- [Biodiversityni.com](http://Biodiversityni.com)
- School fundraising activities (money for old clothes using the Clothes Banks, Supermarket bag packing, selling the garden produce)
- Men's Sheds NI – provide volunteers with time and make garden furniture or equipment <http://northernirelandmenssheds.org/>
- National Lottery: Awards For All (Northern Ireland) a rolling programme aimed at local communities and award grants between £500 and £10,000 in a simple, quick and straightforward way [www.biglotteryfund.org.uk](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk)
- The Enkalon Foundation <http://www.enkalonfoundation.org> funding for local community programmes
- Live Here and Love Here: Small Grants Scheme, available from £500 to £5,000 <http://www.liveherelovehere.org>
- Global Action Plan and award categories such as the Appetite for Action Award <https://www.globalactionplan.org.uk/>
- Local companies such as Tesco, the Co-op and Asda
- Local Garden Centres, local community for recycled materials

### Partners and Supporting Bodies (for guidance, volunteers, resources)

- RSPB [www.rspb.org.uk](http://www.rspb.org.uk) (Royal Society for the Protection of Birds) [Schools Wild Challenge](#)
- RHS Campaign for School Gardening – they also provide a free start-up kit and newsletters. ([schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/about-us](http://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/about-us)) and the Big Soup Share Campaign
- Woodland Trust [www.woodlandtrust.org.uk](http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk)
- Eco-Schools NI [www.eco-schoolsni.org](http://www.eco-schoolsni.org)
- Conservation Volunteers – native trees and hedging ([tcv.org.uk/northernireland/treenursery](http://tcv.org.uk/northernireland/treenursery))
- Primary Science Teachers' Trust [www.pstt.org.uk](http://www.pstt.org.uk)