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No growing pains for gardeners at St Dunstan School, Calne

Pupils at St Dunstan School in Calne are celebrating after winning a competition to show off the best use of compost in their school garden.

The competition was run by local company Hills Waste Solutions to promote Compost Awareness Week earlier this year, when they offered schools across Wiltshire bags of *Warrior compost* for free. The schools were set a challenge to show how they could make the best use of the product and submit their entries by 5 July.

Tony Cook, assistant headteacher at St Dunstan, said: “We have been developing a sensory garden over the past 12 months which contains carefully selected plants that look, smell and feel very different. The garden offers a place of peace and tranquillity for pupils, catering for all ages and a range of sensory needs. The compost has and will make a significant difference to the health of the new plants.”



Members of St Dunstan's gardening club get to work in the sensory garden

Highly commended in the competition were : The Trinity VA School, Devizes (container garden), St Mary's School, Purton (flower pots), Minety Pre-School, Minety (gardening club) and Dauntsey's Aided Primary School, West Lavington (gardening club).

Warrior Compost is made from green waste collected from Wiltshire residents. It is peat-free, certified to BSI PAS100 standard and accredited by both the Association for Organics Recycling and the Soil Association. **ENDS**

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