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Companies join 'Ground forces'

Two major local companies have joined forces to build a sensory garden for the Fountain High School, Bitham Lane in Stretton.

Employees from Coors Brewers in Burton on Trent and Bardon Concrete in Barton under Needwood have worked hard over a number of weeks to build a Sensory Garden (Touch, Taste, Sound, Smell) in the grounds of the school.

The team of willing office workers have fitted the garden project into their normal workload and had a deadline of the end of the school holidays to complete the task. With the huge efforts of the willing volunteers, the garden magically came together with seconds to spare, in a true ground force fashion.

Phil Nickless, Headmaster of the school, will officially open the garden at an opening ceremony attended by many of the team involved in its creation and the children of the school on Friday 5 September.

John Keatley, who led the project, said: "There were mixed feelings about completing the project. For some of the team it had become a labour of love, but all involved now have a much clearer understanding of what the "Hard" means in the phrase hard landscaping!"

The team would like to thank other local companies for their donations to the project: A-Plant, Veolia Skip Hire, Harlows, Barton Fields Garden Centre, Edwards Nursery, Byrkeley Aquatics, Byrkeley Garden Centre, Robert Brown, Martin Shuttleworth, APPM, CYTRA, Paynes Building Supplies, ME & Dee.

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