



Media Release

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BUDDING GREEN THUMBS UNITE FOR NATIONAL TREE DAY

Community members will be given the opportunity to do something positive for the local environment later this month with NRM North organising two events for Planet Ark's National Tree Day.

On Friday, 29th July, students from Queechey High School and the Northern Support School will combine forces for National Schools Tree Day. Both schools will be involved in planting more than 150 native plants on Queechey High School grounds.

The plants being used on the day have been grown from seed by Northern Support School students as part of the school's Off-Shoots program.

NRM North's Tamar Facilitator, Megan Dykman, said the event would give students the opportunity to enrich their school grounds with not only the environmental, but also the educational and cultural benefits of native vegetation.

"Being involved in planting native vegetation on school grounds gives students the opportunity to see biology and ecology in action, but also to develop connections with Aboriginal heritage and the use of edible and timber production species," Ms Dykman said.

NRM North, Friends of Machen's Reserve and the City of Launceston will also have a tree planting day in Machen's Reserve, Kings Meadows, on Tuesday 26th July, from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm.

This event is open to all community members and will enhance this much-loved green space in the heart of an urban area.

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