



Wellbeing, Storytelling and the HAPPY TREE

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The Happy Tree spreads happiness

 Every thought has the power to spread like a wave. The HappyTree was started with one thought; to spread happiness and hope. Like a beautiful fragrance, it has brought smile to many hearts.

In line with the theme 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam'. The world is One Family.



The story of the **Happy Tree** started in the UK on January 1st 2021 during the lockdown...

- Ekta Bajaj decided to do something to cheer up people during the hard times of Covid. She decorated trunk plaques with positive thoughts and hung them on her tree.
- Everyone passing by, children and adults, stopped by the **HappyTree.** Her messages of hope, love and joy made them smile and revived hope in their hearts.
- Listen to Ekta's interview:
- https://soundcloud.com/user-815191750/the-happy-tree







The letter from the Mayor says that France needs more Happy Trees!

The Happy tree is a major attraction now in the village.









Mairie de Forcalquier

Forcalquier, le 17 mai 2022

CABINET DU MAIRE DG/VR - N° 2022-66

Objet: Initiative Happy Tree

Dossier suivi par: Valéry ROCHAS, cabinet du Maire

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Madame, Monsieur

En avril dernier, Forcalquier a été la première ville de France à expérimenter le dispositif "Happy Tree". Cette pratique issue du Royaume-Uni a su trouver son public dans notre ville. De fait, de nombreux enfants, parents, associations et élus municipaux ont pu venir participer à cet événement unique. Les messages d'espoir, de bonheur et d'amour ont pu faire rire et sourire nos administrés, ce qui devient particulièrement rare en ces temps troublés.

Ces arbres, habillés de ces rondins de bois qui savent conjuguer art et écologie, en sont d'autant plus magnifiés. Ils sont aussi, un moyen de communication pour les habitants d'une ville, et permet à chacun de partager ses idées, ce qu'il peut avoir sur le cœur.

Ainsi, j'encourage sincèrement l'initiative, et espère pouvoir voir ce mouvement grandir et s'étendre dans d'autres communes.

Merci esce pour a bear moment.

Le Maire,

David GEHANT





zitabaracuk Love this Happy Tree at @thenehrucentre.

Life can be harsh when you are discriminated against, victimised, harassed, bullied, grieving loss, battling an onslaught of attacks - we have been through / are going through over over a decade of austerity and cuts, a global pandemic, the Windrush scandal, anti refugee policies and laws, threats to our human rights and a cost of living crisis.

The Happy Tree at The Nehru centre

- Everyone can create a **Happy Tree!** Be led by your own unique expression and join this happiness movement.
- Can be done on own or collectively in a city, a school, an organisation, hospital, or at a festival.



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A diaspora Happy Tree of hope that crosses borders



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High Wycombe resident creates 'The Happy Tree'

Matthew Clark | January 17, 2021



Ekta Bajaj stands in front of 'The Happy Tree'. (Image supplied by Ekta Bajaj)

A local Wycombe resident has created 'The Happy Tree' in the front garden of their house to sprea hope and positive vibes during Lockdown 3.

On New Year's Day 2021, entrepreneur and blogger Ekta Bajaj initiated a small project in her fro garden by turning an ordinary willow tree into the 'Happy Tree'.

A series of wooden plaques were created containing positive messages of hope. Using string th plaques were hung on the willow tree in Ektas's front garden. The people who walk by read th messages on the tree and it revives their hope. Many of those who were walking by with a frown c engrossed in thoughts decide to stop, smile and hug the tree.



Provence - Verdon

Place à la musique minérale

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Le conseil municipal n'approuve pas le budget

Au foyer rural, stage de chants polyphoniques

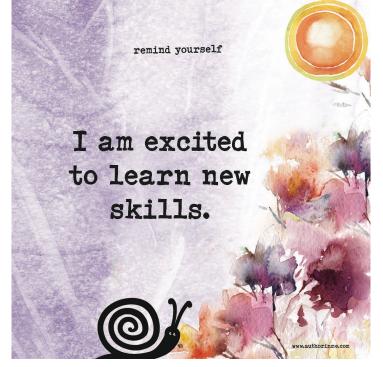


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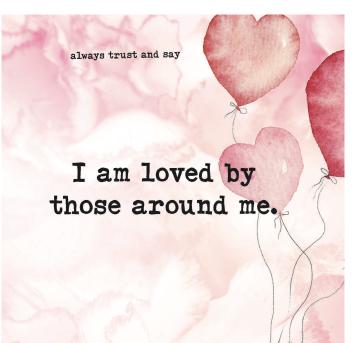


L'office de tourisme propose ses idées de "Destination Famille"

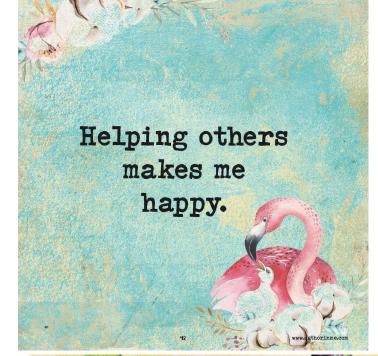
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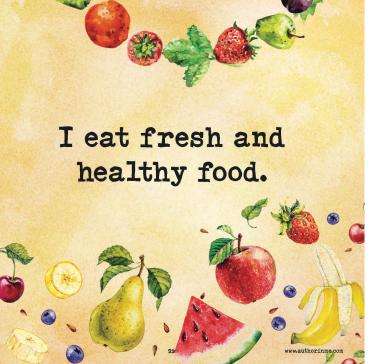






THE HAPPY TREE encourages
VALUE BASED LEARNING





THE HAPPY TREE empowers expression THROUGH STORYTELLING



MY DAYTIME ADVENTURE

"Psst! Psst!"

"What is it?" I groaned sleepily. Struggling to open my eyes, I saw a blurry figure of a young boy jumping like a cheeky monkey. Oh! Of course! My brother. I sometimes wonder why my brother is so active!

"Wake up! Wake up!" he jumped.

"But why?" I moaned. "It's too early!"

My brother frowned. He rudely stomped his foot and exploded in a rage of fury. "You need to see this!"

"Ok, ok, I will come. Why are you so excited?"

My brother grinned like a Cheshire Cat. "You need to see first, and then

I yawned and stretched like a leopard emerging from its sleep.

"I'm coming!" I said sleepily.

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My annoying brother stomped down the stairs sulkily and tied his shoelace.

"What," I cried. "It's outside? That is too bad; it's a bit chilly!"

And with that, we walked down the path in our garden and in perfect harmony got ready to start our adventure-packed day...

I grinned," You are the most brilliant brother, and I couldn't wish for a better one either."

"First one back to Colourful wins!"

I cried.

"Cheater!"

Well, not in perfect harmony!



IF YOU BELIEVE YOU (AN, YOU'RE ALREADY HALFWAY THERE.

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In the day, boisterous butterflies stood in the sunlight as their colours shined as bright as a rainbow. "Look at us!" they squealed in delight. All the animals watched in awe but still munched among the greenery as their tummies rumbled with hunger. Munch! Munch!

The biggest butterfly flew up to a caterpillar and sneered, "Katy the caterpillar, as if I didn't know!

Look at you and your dull, green colour!"

At this the caterpillar cried and cried,
"Why do I always get teased?" she sobbed silently.









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