



**Overall Winners 2008**

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**Upton in Bloom Press Release**  
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### **Upton Primary School Raised Beds**

Using timber supplied by L.T. & R. Vowles Ltd, Upton resident Dave Semple is making five raised beds for the school. Pupils will be able learn how to grow vegetables from seed to final product.

We need to fill the beds and would like to ask for donations of bags of peat-free compost. Earls Croome Garden Centre has kindly agreed to take payment for bags, keep them at the Garden Centre, and then deliver them all to the school.

Earls Croome Garden Centre will be donating seedlings & seeds for the pupils to grow in the raised beds.

Reverend Jeff Radcliffe, of Upton Parish Church has been the driving force behind the project. He said "I believe that every young person should have a real understanding of where their food comes from, whether it be fruit and vegetables or meat and fish. Having the opportunity to grow some of their own food is a small step in the right direction"

Mr Semple made six bird boxes for Upton in Bloom earlier this year, and these have been placed in two locations within the Town.

Upton in Bloom Chairman, Jackie Surtees, said "We have been following the progress of allotments at Longdon St Mary's and Hanley Swan Primary Schools, and Welland Primary School's Garden Club, and it is great that Upton children are now being given the opportunity to 'grow their own'. We would like to thank all contributors to the project at Upton Primary School."

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