

AshTag Pilot Project

AshTag was launched in October 2012 in response to the Radio 4 news story that *Chalara fraxinea* had been discovered in parts of East Anglia. Having already decimated ash tree populations in Denmark the AshTag app was quickly designed www.ashtag.org to enable individuals to take part in citizen science by recording and mapping online, instances of ash die back. Since then AshTag has become more pro-active and members of the public are being encouraged to physically 'tag' trees so that we can monitor over the long term the welfare of the trees, particularly seeking to identify trees that appear to be more resistant to the fungus - see our video <https://www.ashtag.org/tagging-video-guide/>

In order to broaden AshTag's reach and to complement teaching activity AshTag is seeking schools to participate in a pilot project. We would therefore like to invite you to a Twilight session 16.00 – 18.00 on Wednesday 23rd of October, to assist further its reach and lesson plan development. We consider that AshTag provides a great opportunity for schools to become engaged with the issue and seek to marry this with appropriate learning outcomes.

To register a place contact Matt Taylor 01603 592 838 or email matt.taylor@uea.ac.uk. The Twilight session will take place in the Norwich Park Innovation Centre