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Pupils at Tanglewood Nursery: Runo Tebite, Oscar Ritchie, Jack Philips, Sami Sandeep, Jamie Goodyear, Frankie Poel, Harry Reynard, Evie Barrett

DEVASTATED children whose nursery was hit by an arson attack now have a reason to celebrate after raising more than £3,000 for repairs.

A shed in Tanglewood Nursery's 'Forest Garden' was destroyed in the blaze, along with pupils' precious artwork, brand new art supplies, and even the nursery's 20-year-old nativity equipment.

The arsonist caused an estimated £7,000 of damage, but thanks to a fundraising campaign the nursery, in Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford, is already a long way towards paying for a replacement shed.

Head teacher Susan Sutton said: "The goodwill and generosity of people has been really overwhelming. We have done pretty well with the fundraising so far and although we haven't got a grand total, money is coming in all the time.