Mr. Jeff Chandler (aka Mr. Horticulture) was raised on a farm in Barbados and studied agricultural science at UWI. He is presently a senior lab technician and Ph.D. candidate, studying turf production in water limited environments (supervisor, Dr. Francis Lopez).

Jeff is perhaps best known in Barbados for his role in the popular Gardening Program “Green Fingers - the Art of Good Gardening.” Jeff, together with Mr. Mervin Marshall, has produced three series and the fourth is in production. Completely immersed in the horticultural life of Barbados, Jeff is a member of many horticultural societies. He judges horticultural competitions, and represents UWI on the National Agricultural Commission (NAC) which advises the Ministry of Agriculture.

Dr. Fields and Jeff Chandler work with others at UWI to select BITS projects of national importance to Barbados. They help mentor some project groups and assist students with orientation, collection of materials and supplies, proposal and project editing, and are always generous with their comments and advice. Jeff arranges many visits to local facilities and is integral to the success of the BITS summer program. Thank you Jeff!

BITS students during a field trip
learning about different propagation methods

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