

Hamdon Hoot

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Earth Week Special



The Eco-committee worked hard to organise Earth Week, to highlight environmental issues and to show that we can all make a difference; a small change can make an impact. This event was important in working towards our application to become an

Green Flag Eco-School.

We picked a theme for each day to focus on. We would like to thank everyone for getting involved and supporting us.

Mrs Hallett & The Eco-Committee



Make time Monday

As a school, we committed to making time each day - thinking and learning about what we can do to reduce the impact we, as human beings, have on our planet.

During the week, Class 1 and Class 4 had an environmental focus in their English lessons. Class 1 have been reading a book called "Clean Up" and thinking about the impact the litter had on the people in the story. The Class 1 team were very impressed with Alba's Eco-awareness during the week and awarded her with a special prize.

Class 3 have been learning about Bees; why they are important and what we can do to help them. In his report, Scott wrote "Our bees are in trouble because of climate change is causing extreme weather." Ted advised us that "We can plant bee-friendly flowers to encourage bees to stay. You could build a bee hotel or a bee B&B."

Turn it off Tuesday

On the 26th April, we made sure to turn off as many electrical appliances as possible. We had energy monitors for every classroom. It saved money, energy and helped the planet; we enjoyed the event so much that we continue to do it now and use natural light to work. We have even decided as a school that we should leave the lights off in the classrooms until they are switched on/and everyone is now an energy monitor!

By William T & Addison



Walk to school Wednesday

On Wednesday, we walked to school to save the planet. 60% of pupils walked/ scooted/cycled to school and everyone who took part had their names put into a raffle. Our main winner was Joseph, who won an book about recycling and the other winners were: Jasper G, Jasper W, Ben and Brooke—they won a pair of pencils which were made from old newspapers.

Jasper & Jayden





Repurposing Challenge (Thursday)

Thursday brought some fantastic creations into school for our Repurposing Challenge. It was great that there were so many materials used: fabric, metal, plastic, paper and cardboard. Rachael-Mai even repurposed her Easter Bonnet! Mrs Harris judged our entries; she was very impressed with all of them and found it hard to choose. Our winners were:

Class 1 & 2 Winner - Elsie, Runner-up - Pippa-Grace

Class 3 & 4 Winner - Jayden, Runners-up – Alfie B & Elina

Well done to everyone to who entered.



Wear it Wild Friday

On Friday 29th April, everyone in our school wore either animal print or blue and green to represent the earth. People chose to donate money which then went towards each class adopting an endangered animal from WWF. As a school we raised £146 which was enough to adopt an animal for each class. Each pupil (in their classes) had been asked to vote for, whichever endangered animal they would like to adopt.

Daisy & Michelle

Results of the vote:

Class 1—Turtle

Class 2—Tiger

Class 3—Giant Panda

Class 4—Snow Leopard



As you know, we are taking part in the Big Battery Hunt 2022. Many families have returned boxes full of old batteries already, so if you have any at home, please could you return them to school after half term.

Did you know that if sent to landfill, batteries take 100 years to decompose, leaking toxic chemicals in the process.