

Annual review of Eco schools Action Plan 2019-2020

Water

- A visit from Welsh Water which was successful in educating the children in ways to save water.
- Welsh water came to assess our school's facilities on the amount of water wastage- see Sue for report.

Waste

- A visit from Andrew Wood (Herefordshire School Recycling Project manager) to inform us of the value of recycling a vast range of items in return for money to be donated to local charities.
- Successfully we, as a school consistently recycled a large number of items over two terms. Changing our items termly.
- Visit from the bottle-top bull was repeatedly cancelled due to his maintenance.
- Eco reps were asked to ensure their classrooms had a clearly labelled paper/card recycling bin of which they were responsible for emptying.
- A scrap paper draw for paper that could be used again (reverse side.)

Energy

- We highlighted the need to save energy within our school. Each Eco rep informed their class of all the areas in which we can save energy and their responsibility was to also be an energy monitor. Switching of lights when not needed, closing doors and windows to keep heat in and reminding their teachers turn off the IWB when not in use, instead of freezing it. Also turning their computers to stand-by when leaving the classroom for long period of time eg. Worship, break and lunchtime. Then turning them off at the end of the day.

We did not get around to being able to monitor and assess meter readings of energy usage- target for next year.

Other projects outside of the action plan:

School book swap

- Staff book swap has been a roaring success!!! I have swapped and donated books from the collection placed in the staff room and I know many other staff who have done the same.
- Children's book swap- was taken over by the ks1 donation of books to sell to raise money for new books.
- Something we can do this year to recycle children's books.

ECOFEST

- This project, I felt was a roaring success. I had lots of wonderful feedback from staff who expressed how wonderful the workshops and organisations delivering the information were.
- I feel it gave the children a valuable amount of information around many ECO topics and not only motivated them but also changed the way in which they think about everyday life and the impact it has on our environment and ultimately our world.
- We even managed to raise just over £100 in which we donated to our school library to purchase some new books.