

ECO COMMITTEE

Who are we?

We are a group of children from Years 3 to 6 who help the environment in everything we do. We have been meeting every other week after school to discuss new projects, new crafts and researching about different eco charities. In the past we have made bird feeders, created our school eco code, adopted our own endangered animal through WWF and even got our own green Blue Peter badge! In the future we would like to continue helping the environment through raising more money for WWF, creating a school eco bench and spreading easy and fun ways to make our school and our world a better place.



10 eco tips for at home:

1. **Turn Off the Tap**

Don't let water run while brushing teeth or washing hands—save every drop!

2. **Recycle Right**

Learn what goes in the recycling bin and help sort items correctly at home.

3. **Turn Off the Lights**

When you leave a room, flip the switch—saving energy is super easy!

4. **Use Both Sides of Paper**

Draw or write on both sides of paper before recycling or reusing it.

5. **Pack Waste-Free Lunches**

Use reusable lunch boxes, bottles, and containers—say goodbye to plastic wrap and disposable bags.

6. **Pick Up Litter**

If you see trash on the ground (and it's safe to pick up), put it in the proper bin.

7. **Take Care of Nature**

Respect trees, plants, animals, and insects—nature is your playground and responsibility.

8. **Donate Old Toys and Clothes**

Give gently-used items a second life by donating instead of throwing them away.

9. **Walk or Bike When You Can**

If school or a friend's house is nearby, walk, bike, or scooter instead of asking for a ride.

10. **Learn and Share**

Read books or watch videos about the environment, then teach friends and family what you know.



Eco arts and crafts:

Beverage bottle bird houses

All you need for this craft is a clean and empty plastic bottle, string, scissors, paint and bird feed.

1. Grab a plastic bottle that is empty and clean it out. This could be a milk bottle, Coca-Cola bottle, or a juice carton.
2. Cut a hole in the bottle like in the picture. You can decide if you want to just cut one hole in the side, or have a hole going straight through both main sides of your bottle.
3. Decorate it however you want. We find that painting it and then adding a layer of glue (which will dry clear!) works best, but you can also use permanent markers or stickers.
4. Hang it up on a branch with strong string. This is the part where an adult may need to help you.
5. Fill the bottom of the carton with bird seed for the birds to come and enjoy.



Seed balls:

All you will need is flour, soil, a mixing bowl, water, an empty egg carton and native British wildflower seeds.

1. Mix ten parts soil to one part flour into your mixing bowl.
2. Slowly add water and mix slowly with your hands until the mixture becomes sticky like a dough. Then, roll your soil dough into a golf-ball sized ball.
3. Fill a tray with wildflower seeds and roll your mud balls around until they are covered in seeds. We recommend you gently place them into an egg carton to help with step number 4.
4. Leave them to dry for a day or two and then they are ready to throw into your garden!



World animal news:

The WWF website tells us that our natural spaces are shrinking as our modern society gets more resource-intensive due to unsustainable human-led activities. As a result, wildlife numbers are declining. The 2024 Living Planet Report completed by WWF shows that the average size of wildlife populations has fallen by a staggering 73% since 1970. Currently on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) red list, more than 41,000 species have been assessed to be under threat of extinction.

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