



Feedback from Key Stage 1 children about Eco (June 2022)

General questions about Eco

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What is Eco Council about?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Helping the environment.• Helping the school.• Helping people get rid of rubbish.
Why is Eco Council important?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You make the world a better place.• You are helping the world.
Tell me about your favourite project with Eco Council and tell me why you enjoyed learning about this
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Berry picking at the front of school, you can't eat them you look at them and smell. No picking, licking or kicking.• Planting trees at the park, we did that for the Queen to make them grow as lots of them were taken away when they died.• Trip to RHS Bridgewater, I liked the flower gardens and going in the woods and playing in the woods.• Are we going to have a play area in our Forest School?
Are there any areas with Eco Council that you are still unsure about?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No, I know what to do we are helping the environment and getting everyone to help look after the school and the world and all the animals and birds.• We need to recycle everything and take our litter home.• We need to make the school green.
How do you know if you are doing well with Eco Council?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We got the Green Flag Award and a flag is coming because of all our hard work around school and out of school.• People get involved in the campaigns and want to help.• There is less rubbish in school so that's because we have everyone gardening and litter picking.• The gardening club grew to lots of year groups because everyone was keen to help make our school environment better.• More people want to come to Eco Council meetings.
What happens if you are finding feeding back to your class difficult with Eco council, who could you go to for support?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I would ask the teacher to help me stand up and talk to everyone.• I would come and ask you Miss Killian.
What do you need to do to improve feeding back to your class about Eco Council?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We need to do it every week or every day otherwise nobody will know what we are doing.
In May, you led the 'Walk to School Campaign', what can you tell me about it?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Everyday people had to use travel tracker to record their journey to school, we told people to try and walk.• My new teacher always says no to doing travel tracker because she needs the training, but the other teacher was really keen to get everyone being active and helping.• We had to use the passports.
If you were to lead this campaign again, what would you do differently?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I would ask people if they want to park at my house.• I would ask people to walk with me.

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Can you explain what some of this Eco Council vocabulary means?

- Eco friendly – Where you take good care of the world by using products that are good for the environment. **Correct**
- Sustainable – I feel like it's about waste but I don't know. **Incorrect**
- Reuse, reduce or recycle – Reuse is where you use it again and again like a plastic bottle, reduce is not having as much waste like we need to stop using so much paper. Recycle means that you put it in the right bin and it turns to something new. We recycle green waste, brown and blue outside in the bins. **Correct**
- Environment – Is it the classroom? Did you know Wigan Council have cut down all the trees we planted on your birthday at Astley Park. Can you go and have a look and tell the council we want them back? I helped my mummy plant flowers in the garden. **Correct**
- Litter- Where people throw rubbish on the floor and never recycle it as many times as you should, You never pick it up till it rots. **Correct**

Can you think where Eco Council links to things that you have learned before in your class a different teacher?

- We did boxes and collected empty milk bottles in our classroom to collect them to recycle.
- Mrs Rigby made an actual bin in the classroom to recycle bottles and then she helps us empty it in the big bin.
- When we did the Eco Code, we talked about it with our class and they all did Eco Codes as well. Mrs Leech knew a lot about Eco Codes and said she will help us every year.
- We went out with Mrs Leech doing mini beast hunts and Eco systems.
- When we watered the carrots.
- When Mr Young said we can have a garden, we all talked about what we will have in it, he brought in seeds, but we didn't use them. Do you know where the seeds went? Do you have them?

Subject specific questions about Eco

How can we look after the school environment?

- By litter picking, by telling everyone about how litter picking is good for the world and other people.
- Tell people about our action plan more so they know what we are working on.
- Put signs up in the community to tell people about our action plan.
- Tell the newspaper when we do big things like the Forest, my friend had the newspaper come and interview them for the Queens Jubilee party they had.

How can we reduce litter within school and the community?

- Make posters, tell people where the bins are and say what to put in the bin.

How can we encourage people to walk to school or be active?

- Try and park nearer away, do park and stride.
- If everyone does that they will be fitter and feel happier in their mental health.
- Miss Taylor says being healthy helps your mental health and it means you are ready to learn.

Are there any issues you would like to work on next year?

- We need to work on recycling, have you seen how much paper we waste?
- We need to talk to the new teachers and TA's and make sure they understand how to support Eco Council.
- We should use less plastic things.
- We need to start making more bird tree houses and help the birds. The bird Mrs Jeffries had fell out of our bird box, but we should have had things in place to help monitor him.

We have been awarded our Green Flag, where shall we put it for everyone to see?

- In the Forest or outside Mr Grogan's office or near the stage.

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Are you going to come to Eco Council next year?

- Yes of course.

What would you like to be different about Eco Council?

- We should do more things to set up the Forest School.
- We should help the animals more.
- We should take things out of the bins in the juniors that shouldn't be there.

Action to take as a result of Pupil Feedback on Eco

- Ensure we feedback to our classes and school community more regularly.
- Work on deepening the children's knowledge of cross curricular links.
- Ensure they know Eco needs to happen during the school day not just through Eco campaigns and projects.

Next Pupil Feedback review: Spring Term 2023

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