RADDLEBARN'S CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



Eco-council

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Hello and welcome to our next curriculum newsletter focusing on the Eco-Council. Here you will learn some important information on how the Eco-Council work with the school in developing and implementing eco issues.

If you have any questions or ideas for the Eco-Council, please contact the school by email.

Miss Sharman Hall

Eco-Schools

For many years, the Eco-Council have worked on achieving awards from **Eco-Schools**. To achieve an award the school needs to work towards improving the school and local community environment. In recent years we have achieved the Bronze and Silver award.

Since 2019 we have been working towards the highest award - the 'Green Flag'. Thank you to last year's Eco-Council who started working on the award before lockdown. For the award the school will be focusing on three out of ten areas that **Eco-Schools** highlight to improve the environment. Our three areas are –

- 1. Litter
- 2. Transport
- 3. Energy

Find out overleaf on how we are working on this.

Raddlebarn Eco-Council

Raddlebarn have had an Eco-Council for several years. At the beginning of each academic year children who would like to join the Eco-Council give a speech on eco ideas and then the class vote for two Eco-Councillors. Two children from each class from Years 2-6 meet regularly to discuss, plan, monitor and implement eco areas in the school. At different times of the year, Year 1 children are also invited to attend.

This academic year due to Covid-19 restrictions and 'bubbles' in school we have created a new Eco-council with six children from Year 3. They are Fabian, Hannah, Alfie, Hollie, Arjun and Isla.

We have been meeting weekly since October to work toward the 'Green Flag'.



Aims for 2020-2021

<u>Litter</u>

- The Eco-Council and some infant classes are litter picking in the playground weekly.
- The school joined in the Great British September Clean by litter picking and you created great videos, pictures and posters! Thank you! Here are some of them.

Transport

- Continuing to work on 'Walk to School' initiatives and work in school for 'Road Safety Week' in November.
- Working with local community leaders to improve congestion around the school.
- Working on the next Modeshift award.

Energy

- From years 1-6 we have we have a weekly Eco-Monitor to ensure we are do not use energy more than we need to.
- Taking part in 'Switch Off Fortnight' in November.





Follow the school on Twitter to hear more about eco updates and organisations that we are following!



Eco-Council achievements 2019-2020

Here are some of our achievements from last year and thank you to everyone who supported!

- ✓ Walk to School Week March 2020
- ✓ Bike and Scooter shelter May 2020
- ✓ Modeshift Silver award August 2020