**Red Lane Primary School**

**Eco-Council Meeting Minutes (2)**

What was discussed?

Outstanding photographs of Eco counsellors taken to enable display to be completed.

Early Years and Primary (KS1 and KS2) Environmental Reviews completed during the week – feedback and discussion from these, looking at Red Lane’s strengths and areas for development.

Discussion of possible action plan foci.

Biodiversity: Plant trees (each child); Create wildflower beds; Bird feeders; Possible Eco-HUB for outdoor learning; Bird/bat boxes; Bee Hive (Health and safety considerations); Compost bins; Development of outdoor learning opportunities (Example: Gruffalo trail in woodland area to link to the story)

Energy: Produce guide for parents; focus on turning off lights and SMARTboards when not in class; Creation of reminder posters around school; Encourage staff to run laptops on batteries (saves electricity and prolongs life of batteries)

Litter: All classes to recycle paper (link to School Council); possible litter picking club and outside of school grounds; Education via Eco Enrichment on waste

Healthy Living: Re-establish regular ‘mile per day’; use re-purposed polytunnel to grow our own vegetables; Selling of excess fruit – use money to reinvest in seeds for wildflower area and growing vegetables.

Not focussing on ‘marine’ at present due to proximity to sea. However, we could potentially cover this in Eco Enrichment or during ‘Our Diverse Planet’ British Science Week sessions in Summer 2.

Time and date of the meeting:

23/01/2020

3:30pm-4:15pm (Location: 5S)

Eco-Committee members present:

* YR: Eliza Greenall
* Y1: Indie-Leigh Hartley
* Y2: Eliana Achioyamen
* Y3:Isabella Barnett
* Y4: Holly Hunter
* Y4: Baylee McClarence
* Y5: Willow-Grace Hamilton
* Y6: Lucy Hunter
* Staff: Mr Simmons
* Parent: Miss Griffiths

Eco-Committee members not present:

* Y6: Emily Clark
* Y6: Jessica Dean
* SLT: Mrs Driver

Next steps:

* Create Eco-Display board
* Use children’s discussion notes to create Action Plan and meet Mrs Driver for review.
* Undertake short assembly to introduce Eco-Council and discuss our purpose and the types of things that will be focussed on in the future (Post Action Plan).
* Apply for Eco-Schools Bronze.
* Ensure Eco-Enrichment groups and Y2 Eco-Club have evidence of their activities for future Eco-Silver application.
* Eco-Councillors to create home ‘Eco-Guides’.

When and where is the next meeting?

Spring 2 2020 – Dates to be confirmed

