



ECO SCHOOLS NEWS - ISSUE 2

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Our Eco Schools Council has been very busy again this term organising improvements to our school grounds and more specifically our planned 'Nature Garden', taking steps to reduce our impact on the environment with the help of Wastebusters and spreading the word by encouraging the whole school to become more eco-friendly.

This newsletter highlights their successes to date and the plans they have for the rest of the year.

This term we have welcomed two local businesses into school to help with clearing the area we have designated for our 'Nature Garden' - namely Royal Bank of Scotland and F5 Networks Ltd. Both groups worked extremely hard and made a huge difference to the area. They cut back the brambles, weeded, dug, removed rubbish, moved planters & pergolas, treated them and painted our fences.



The Otter Nursery very kindly donated £50 worth of butterfly and insect friendly plants for the garden that will be planted during the summer holidays. We are now ready to implement Mrs Curtis's design and hope to have the area ready to use for the start of the Autumn Term.

We have joined the Wastebusters Plastic Challenge and are encouraging everyone in school to sign up and complete the challenge online by **30th June**. You should have received a flyer home with a unique username and password for you to log in. There are rewards for the school and participating families for completing the challenge; the more of us that complete it the more rewards for school and the more we can encourage everyone to recycle at home as well as at school.

We have already received our Bronze Award for Eco-Schools and are almost ready to apply for our Silver Award. Next year we going for Green Flag status—the highest award possible! We cannot succeed without your help so thank you in advance!