

## Minutes from Eco School Meeting - 5/5/17

Present:

Elijah and Elisa (Class 3), Evie and Rafael (Class 4), Vincent and Bella (Class 5), Daniel and Grace (Class 6) and Mrs Tennant.

1. We looked at the flagpole displaying the Green Flag and were all really proud of our school achievement.
2. Mrs Tennant explained that we may have some visitors in school soon to check that we are still doing all the things that we need to in order to be an Eco School and that the visitors will hopefully let us keep the Green Flag in our school.
3. We looked at the photograph of the Eco Team on the Notice board and discussed ideas for what else should be displayed there. Evie said that we should put up a photograph of our Green Flag.
4. We talked about the National 'Walk to School' week that will take place 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> May. Each class will have a sticker chart and each child can put a sticker onto the chart each day that they make an active journey (Active Journeys include walking, or coming by bike or scooter). We thought it would be a good idea for the children in the Eco Team to put up class totals for walk to school week, each day on a chart in the entrance hall. We also thought that it would be really good to end our walk to school week with a special walk to school day. On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May, children and their families will be encouraged to meet at the car park at Morrisons Supermarket and walk to school together along the Alban Way footpath. The children thought that all classes who complete their Walk to School charts should be rewarded with a marble in the jar and an extra 5 minutes of Golden Time.
5. We talked about planning another Eco School Assembly during our 'Outdoor Learning Week'. The visitor from the Green Tree School Award has given us some assembly ideas, and doing an assembly with a focus on planting trees would count towards our Green Tree School Award.
6. We thought that it would be a good idea to have a competition in which children could design posters about Eco Issues, such as saving electricity and water, recycling rubbish, and walking to school. We have some posters up in our school but these were designed by children who are now at the Junior School, so we would like to replace these.

7. The Eco Team were reminded about their responsibilities, such as turning off lights that are needed and computer monitors. Mrs Tennant showed the children the new lights that have been fitted in class 5. These are LED lights that use much less electricity than the lights that we had before and should last many years before they need to be replaced. Mrs Tennant told the children that Mrs Dempsey eventually wants to replace all the lights in our school with these new, energy efficient lights.
8. The children went out to pick up litter in the playground and will try to remember to do this every Friday.
9. We will meet again the week before Green Day to plan our Eco Assembly.