



GLORIOUSLY GREEN!

Kelvindale Eco Updates May 2013

Our whole school eco focus is to have a Go Green Week from Monday 13th May-Friday 17th May. This will further develop our action plans and targets for **Biodiversity**, **Sustaining Our World** and **Litter**. The whole school will be involved in the activities below.



Eco Updates : Our school grounds are looking fabulous with a diverse range of plants and flowers. A huge thank you to all our pupils for planting 450 daffodil bulbs in October! Also the playground biodiversity barrels have been lovingly tended and cared for by Mrs McIlroy and many green fingered pupils and they really are blooming at the moment.

Walk to School Week 13th-17th May 2013

The Junior Road Safety Officers will lead this campaign. As an Eco School 'Active Travel' and walking to school is an easy way for us all to support our 'Eco Ethos'. During the challenge, each class will record daily the number of children actively travelling to school in an eco friendly way and the class with the highest percentage score will receive 15 minutes of extra play. This is a healthy initiative and we look forward to seeing lots of children walking, cycling or using scooters to come to school where feasible.

Paper Free Challenge Day On Tuesday 14th May

Most of the world's paper supply still comes from forests rather than plantations and to create one tonne of paper, it takes approx 4 tonnes of trees. On this day, Kelvindale will embark on a very different eco challenge. Class Teachers and pupils will spend the whole day teaching and learning without the use of jotters, books, textbooks and paper. This will help us think about the paper we use daily and how we can cut back. Spot checks will be carried out!

Waste Free Wednesday 15th May 2013

Waste minimisation is important as it about trying to reduce the amount of rubbish we throw away and it is important because it will help to save our beautiful planet. On **Waste Free Wednesday** you can help by bringing snacks without wrappers. You might bring in snacks in a reusable tub or you could bring in a healthy snack with a biodegradable skin, like a banana or an apple. Don't forget a healthy drink and the best thing of all is water! Your water should be in a reusable water bottle.

Kelvindale World Water Day Thursday 16th May 2013

Kelvindale will support Water Aid UK and participate in Walk for Water Day. Pupils will learn about the importance of water conservation and scarcity of water around the world. Our 'Walk for Water' challenge will have every pupil and staff member walking a mile around the school pitch (10 times around). This will give pupils some understanding of what it is like to be a child who has to walk to collect water that is needed in their home. During this week, we will also have a water tuck shop. Small bottles of water will be for sale at 40p and all proceeds will go to the charity Water Aid. Our contributions will support work to transform the lives of people around the world.

Gloriously Green Day

On Friday 17th May, we will celebrate the end of our exciting, interesting and successful Eco Week by wearing something green, it could be socks, a ribbon, a dress or a sweatshirt!

Eco Collections

As part of Eco Schools, we are continuing to collect unwanted textiles for the Rag Bag. We are happy to take all types of clothing, shoes, bags, hats, belts, towels, curtains and bed linen. We have a large bin in the car park or send these items in with your child.

Miss Morrison and The Eco Committee thank you for all your ongoing eco support.