



ECO Team minutes: 14 September 2012

1. Welcome

Mrs Miller welcomed all new and returning members to the Eco Team.
Apologies - Mrs Taylor

2. ECO code

The Eco Team checked the ECO code and all agreed it still applies to this year.

3. Food for life award (Guest - Mrs Clarke)

This is an award system where schools can achieve, bronze, silver and gold awards. Streetsbrook has a bronze award which is really good. We are now aiming for the silver award. Streetsbrook needs to show what they do in terms of gardening, healthy eating, organic food, cooking food that we have grown and so on. Mrs Clarke asked Eco Team if they would be willing to help with this award. Everyone agreed they would like to be involved.

One area Mrs Clarke asked about was how we can promote healthy lunch boxes. Everyone discussed how we could ask parents to think about healthier lunchboxes? The Eco Team suggested it might be a good idea to send out a letter from the Eco Team to parents with hints, tips and pictures of what a healthy lunchbox might look like. This can be discussed at the next meeting.

A suggestion was made to run our own produce stall. Help will be needed with planting and growing herbs, vegetables and fruit. It is hoped everyone in school can be involved but especially Eco Team and Nature Club.

4. Low Carbon schools programme

Streetsbrook is part of the Carbon Reduction Programme, which aims to try and use less electricity and gas. Mrs Miller, Mrs Butlin and Mrs Flanagan are attending a meeting next week to see what can be done. Mrs Miller will report back to Eco Team soon.

NOTE: The ECO team members have noticed that many teachers are leaving the whiteboards on. Turning these off would save a lot of energy.

5. ECO action plan

Participation in the Carbon Reduction Programme was added to the Eco Action Plan 2012-13 in the Energy section and participation in the Healthy Schools Award Scheme was added to the Eco Action Plan in the Healthy Living and Biodiversity sections. The remainder of the Action Plan will be discussed at the next meeting.

6. Compost collection

So far this year 2M have done the compost collection and 2A want to take turns. The children in these classes agreed they would take it in turns on a weekly basis.

7. Music Magpie - CD/DVD recycling

The collection box has been delivered. Mrs Smitten will organise a letter to be sent out to parents.

8. AOB

None

Date, time and venue of next meeting: Friday 16th November, 11:30am (Venue TBC)