

# Titchmarsh Church of England Primary School

## Eco Action Team Meeting

### Minutes of meeting on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February

**Members present:** Danny, Madeline, Daniel, Millie, Hollie, Caitlin, Tianna, Phoebe, Mrs Gambrell, Mrs Stopps

**Apologies:** none, but we had a visiting teacher from Kingscliffe School to see how we run our meetings and the work we are doing to maintain our Green Flag status.

#### **Generation Green**

- **Recycool:** This initiative involves collecting used printer cartridges and mobile phones. It is eco-friendly and will give rewards for our school, in addition to earning us "leaves" (25 for each mobile and 20 for each printer cartridge) The collection box is now on the laptop trolley. The recent Eco newsletter outlined the idea and Danny and Madeline reminded children in the whole school assembly on Tuesday morning.
- **Fantastic increase in number of leaves!** Due to a massive effort by the Eco Team, our leaf total has improved immensely to 4337 leaves. We are finding lots of ways to accrue leaves! To this end the Eco Team decided to hold a "Make a Snake" Day in school. Each "snake" made by each child in school will earn us 15 leaves and a photo will gain 100 leaves. More details to follow, after Mrs Stopps discusses the idea with Mrs Milton and other members of staff.
- **Recycling Quiz:** ICT - to gain leaves. Mrs Stopps to approach Mrs Grantham to see whether children could do the quiz at computer club - then lots of leaves could be gained!

**Bird Boxes and Feeders** - several children had already spotted them in the school grounds! A letter of thanks was sent to the School Council for funding these. After today's meeting, Danny, Madeline, Daniel and Millie will fill the feeders with the bird seed provided by Phoebe's Grandad, so that they will be fully operational! The year 1 and 2 Eco Team members will do the next "fill of the feeders"! All children were very enthusiastic about the feeders and animal homes.

**Meter readings:** Mrs Gambrell, Daniel and Hollie (energy monitors) will take the February readings on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb and display on Eco notice board. Energy monitors were reminded to keep vigilant in classrooms and around school!

Thanks to Caitlin and Phoebe who are continuing to weigh and record recycled paper.

**Bottle tops:** Total for January was fantastic - 3265 = £32.65. The next count (for February) will be on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Details will be displayed on the Eco notice board.

**Picnic benches:** Following the Eco Team fundraising, a donation from Bob Seery and generous support from FOTS we are now able to order two picnic benches! A wonderful achievement and we look forward to their arrival with excitement - hopefully before our next meeting!

**Any other business:** Tianna's idea of a "Making things Day" could be the "Make a Snake" Day! Caitlin asked about the vegetable competition. Mrs Stopps will talk to Dr Montague about this when Gardening Club starts again in March.

Next meeting - Eco poster competition put forward by Hollie to be discussed.

Mrs Stopps thanked the members for attending and contributing to the meeting.

**Date of next meeting: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2009**