



Meeting Minutes



What was discussed?

Time and date of the meeting:

Friday 31st January 2020 – 2:45 - 3:15 pm

Eco-Committee members present:

All class reps were in attendance.

- Mrs Way thanked the Eco council for taking part in a school grounds litter pick during their meeting slot 2 weeks ago. There were 3 bags of litter collected and everyone worked very hard.
- Mrs Way also thanked the Eco council for their excellent assembly on Thursday 12th January. She thanked them for giving up several lunchtimes to practise. A result of the assembly has meant that crisp packet collections and battery donations have increased considerably which is excellent.
- Crisp packets now need to be bagged/boxed and sent off to the Air Ambulance charity. Labels are available but a lack of large boxes meant this could not be completed today.
- Biodiversity target - the quad and garden area by KS2 reception have had new birdfeeders added to assist feeding the birds. Topaz class organised this as part of their RSPB - Big schools' Birdwatch Glow sessions. Bird food will need to be replenished as and when.
- Eco council enquired about our mascot – Mrs Way informed the council that a turtle mascot has been ordered and they will be meeting it very soon. Several reps are keen for the turtle to be named Ron!
- Reps then shared suggestions from their class suggestion boxes. Lots of brilliant ideas were discussed. Including: 1) Second hand wellie sale (Emerald). 2) TopTip Eco suggestion each week for the newsletter (Zultanite). 3) Biodegradable plant pots workshop (Tanzanite). 4) One class per week to take turns in doing a school litter pick (Peridot). 5) Cake Sale to raise money for an animal charity (Emerald).

Next steps:

- Next meeting or sooner (perhaps in a lunchtime), we will need to meet to pack the crisp packets up, once large cardboard boxes have been sourced by the caretakers. 5kg per box.
- Mrs Monksfield to speak to Mrs Coomansingh re collection of full battery box.
- Will be monitoring the increasing bird numbers in a class birdwatch – Topaz.
- Turtle mascot will be introduced next meeting and a name can be voted for by the council.
- We would like to discuss the following projects with Mrs Holman/Mrs Makey:
 - 1) Wellie Sale – the council loved this idea and agreed it would be a good reusing project. (If Mrs Coomansingh would like to assist us with this we would be very appreciative!)
 - 2) Newsletter Eco TopTip – Year 6 children to discuss this with Mrs Holman on Monday and feedback to Mrs Way on Wednesday.

To invite Mrs Holman/ Mrs Makey to our next meeting to discuss ideas further. Topaz eco reps to invite headteacher asap.

When and where is the next meeting?

In Topaz classroom on Thursday 13th February - 12:30 - 13:00.

