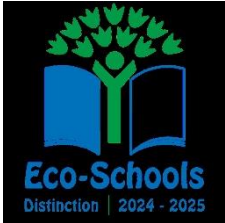




At Walmley Junior School, we value the importance of looking after the world around us. We cover a range of topics and produce whole school projects to ensure children are aware of how to support environmental action.

We have achieved The Eco Schools' **Green Flag Award with Distinction** as we are always thinking of exciting ways to help our school and the community become more environmentally aware. We are always open to new ideas should friends and family wish to contribute.



#### Topics:

- Biodiversity
- Energy
- Litter
- School Grounds
- Healthy Living
- Global Citizenship
- Marine
- Transport
- Waste
- Water

#### Planned action:

**Litter:** Weekly litter picks around and in front of the school including a community litter pick in Walmley.

**Energy:** Energy Week takes place in November with the whole school learning about topics such as renewable energy sources or writing a letter to tackle climate change. Our Eco Councillors also monitor Walmley Junior School's water and electricity usage in a bid to find ways to reduce our carbon footprint.

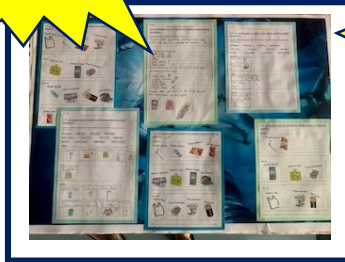
**School Grounds:** Year on year we aim to become more self-sufficient, planting our own vegetables, using water butts to collect water and composting kitchen waste. We have arranged for the children to plant more trees around the school and to expand our sensory garden. We can also use data from our bug hotel in Maths lessons.

**Transport:** The Eco Council have planned incentives for children to practise walking to school where possible and encourage public and shared transport. We use the Travel Tracker to track pupils walking to school and are pleased to hand out lots of badge awards for those children who actively try to reduce vehicle emissions.

**Waste:** Children are learning about how to recycle where possible and we encourage paper and mixed recycling throughout school. Class competitions have proved successful when raising awareness about our clothes bank and we welcome bags of old clothes to be deposited in support of the Air Ambulance charity. This year, we aim to beat our last battery recycling collection of 3682 batteries!

**Healthy Living:** Throughout the school year, in PSHE and Science, all year groups learn about ways to look after themselves, keep fit and eat healthy. We also have our 'Fitness Fortnight' when children are encouraged to try new sports and shown how to cook healthy meals.

Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6



#### Achievements

We have achieved the Bronze, Silver and gold awards with the Woodlands Trust.

Our Earth Day activities are featured on the Eco Schools website <https://www.eco-schools.org.uk/ten-topics/biodiversity/>

We have gained **Plastic Clever Status** with the 'Kids against Plastic' campaign.

We have raised money for **Fairtrade and Sea Life Trust funds**.

We became **Litter Heroes** by taking part in the **Great Big Clean**.