



Eco-Schools Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday 24th October 2016

Venue: Geography Room 2

3:45pm –4:45pm



Present: Mr H. McSorley, Miss McCay, Miss Morrison, Iman, Catherine, Monica, Bebhinn & Aimee

Apologies: Mrs N. Donnelly, Mr B. Douglas, Kate & Lena

Minutes: Iman Elshafie

Achievements to Date

- We have achieved both our Silver and Bronze awards
- We have achieved our Fair Aware and Fair Active Awards
- Mr Mc Sorley and Ms Mc Cay have completed the action plan
- Started a fair trade tuck shop
- As part of fair trade fortnight we had a coffee morning in Sainsburys and had a big breakfast full of fair trade goods in the canteen

Green Flag Award

Things we need to do to achieve Green Flag:

- Maintain Committee and Eco school notice board
- Environmental review
- Collect data, the eco school enrichment class have come up with:
 1. Apply for funding for giving each girl in school a stainless steel bottle
 2. Calculate the volume of plastic bottles being recycled to calculate the amount of plastic being recycled within our school
 3. Calculating the weight of each package of old stationary being sent away
- Branch out to other companies in the town to help and also collect old stationary
- We need to designate an environmental officer within the school to collect information about subjects that teach about the environment
- Make a video of what we have done in the school and what we are planning on doing to show at assemblies
- Applying for Fair Activators Award which is the highest award, to complete this award we need to host events like fair trade debate, having guest speakers and holding tuck shops
- Thornhill College hosts Fair Trade Conference as it is coming to Derry this year
- Get our picture of the eco- committee for the newspaper to raise awareness

- Entered John Meer Award for Year 13 enrichment class, which involves working to help and promote the environment
- Year 13 eco school enrichment class are making a 10ft monster for Halloween parade to symbolise and spread awareness of the polluted river
- Paint the birdhouses with non-toxic paint by the eco school enrichment class
- Try and get funding or fund raise for more water fountains in the school
- Make signs on bins telling people what things are not suppose to be in the bin
- Put food bins in Home Economics
- Eco schools suggestion box for pupils with idea to safe the environment