



Eco News

**** WE HAVE BEEN AWARDED OUR 6th ECO-SCHOOLS GREEN FLAG ****



I'm delighted to inform you that our school has earned another Green Flag Award (our sixth), an international accreditation, recognising our amazing work in making our school more environmentally friendly and raising eco-awareness in our pupils.

Eco-Schools is an education programme that prompts young people to explore sustainability and climate justice and encourages them to take action.

Eco-Schools England Manager, Adam Flint, said: "Earning an Eco-Schools Green Flag Award takes passion, commitment and a desire to make a difference. Pupils should be proud of their great work. They're an inspiration and it makes us feel heartened and positive about the future of our planet."

Feedback about our application from the Green Flag Assessor...



Feedback

Green Flag Award, 2025

Fairford CofE Primary School

Award Level: Distinction

Focus topics:



Your greatest overall success:

Fairford CofE Primary School's most notable accomplishment has been the cultivation of a culture where students take ownership of environmental issues and lead by example. Pupils have demonstrated exceptional commitment through organizing litter picks, establishing eco clubs, and engaging the wider community. This student-led approach has not only amplified the impact of eco-projects but has also fostered a sense of agency and responsibility among the students. This is a wonderful achievement, well done!

We also loved...

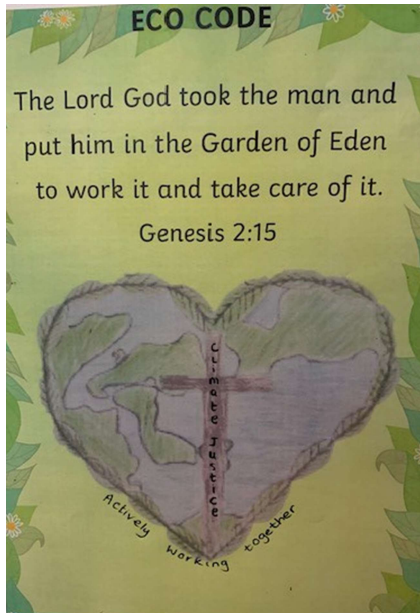
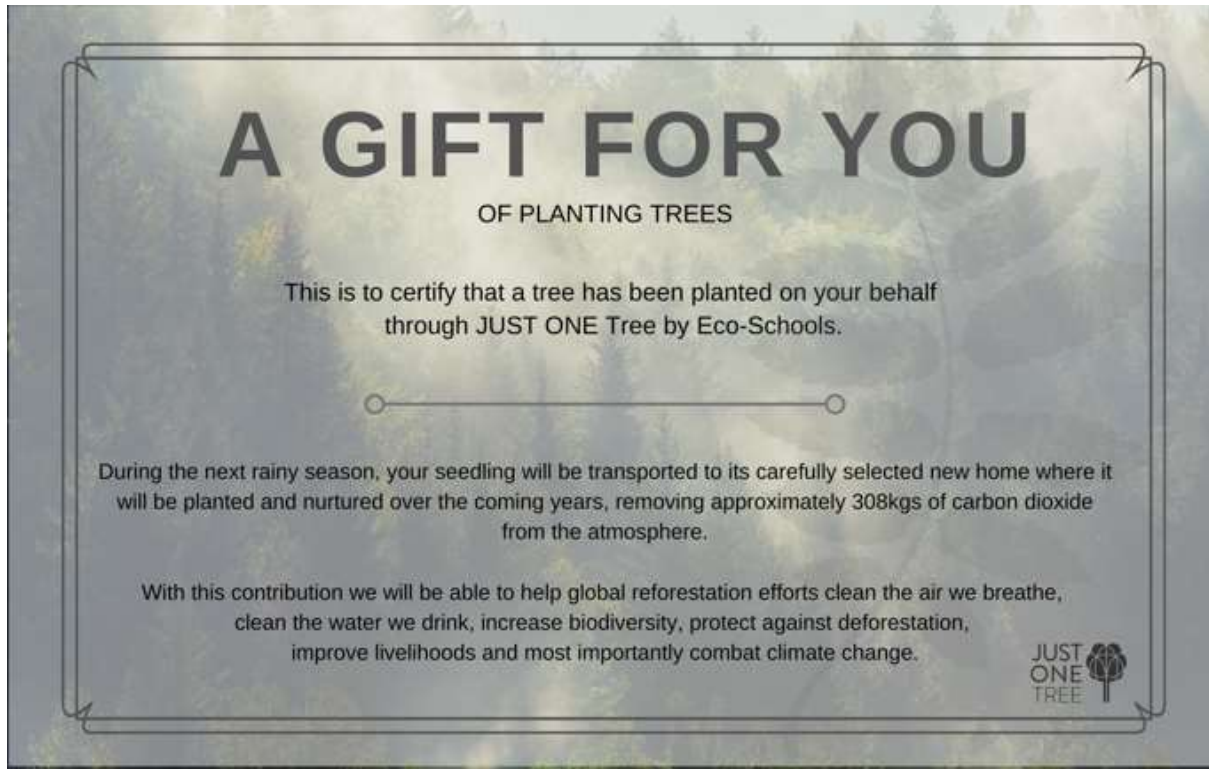
- A student's dedication to environmental activism in the community was celebrated in the local press when he received the Albert Alder Award for his litter-reduction initiatives. Following in the footsteps of fellow eco-warrior Heather Kent, the student has demonstrated commitment to fostering a cleaner, greener environment. His efforts have inspired others to take action and have contributed to raising awareness about the importance of waste management and community engagement in preserving local ecosystems.
- All of the educational trips that enhanced students' understanding of various environmental topics, including a visit to Cheltenham Literature Festival, Slimbridge Wetland Centre, and Bristol Aquarium. At the literature festival, students met author Hannah Gold and learned about the importance of reducing single-use plastics. Inspired by her book, "Turtle Moon," one class adopted a turtle through WWF, demonstrating a commitment to supporting endangered marine life.
- Your "Switch Off Fortnight" and Single-Use Plastic Free Day. Students actively engaged in monitoring energy usage, raising awareness, and participating in educational activities. Collaborations with the community reinforced the commitment to environmental stewardship and sustainable practices.

Next year, why not try...

Your application has truly impressed our team. You've changed behaviours, inspired others, and made a significant impact. Our only advice is to continue building on your wonderful achievements next year. Great work!

To learn more about Eco-Schools head to www.eco-schools.org.uk

As a thank you gift, the Eco-Schools Team are working again with 'JUST ONE Tree' to plant a tree for every school, college, or nursery that achieves a Green Flag.



Congratulations to our new Eco Monitors for 2025/26

Each class has now selected their new Eco representatives for this academic year. After half term, these children will be invited to termly committee meetings to help lead our Eco projects and activities in school. Following completion of an Environmental Review, the children will then help to come up with an Action Plan for the rest of the upcoming year. They will feedback to the rest of their class their plans and notes from our meetings.

Our Eco Code

'Actively Working Together for Climate Justice'