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Eco-Schools News

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We are delighted to announce that we have started our campaign for Abercromby Nursery School become an accredited Green Flag Eco-school. We have decided to participate in the Eco-Schools programme because we value our planet and view environmentalism as an important lesson to teach future generations. Partaking in the Eco-Schools programme will also provide rich and engaging learning opportunities for our children.

In England the Eco-Schools programme focuses on ten important topics: *Biodiversity, Energy, Global Citizenship, Healthy Living, Litter, Marine, School Grounds, Transport, Waste and Water.*

In September we held an environmental review of the school and found that due to past efforts by staff, governors, children and parents we scored highly on biodiversity, healthy living, our school grounds, global citizenship, litter and water awareness. However, we found that we could improve our impact and awareness around energy, waste, marine conservation and transport. We have chosen to focus on **energy, waste** and **marine conservation** over the coming year; and have incorporated the findings and advice from the Eco-school organisation into an action plan. This action plan will be displayed on our Eco-board and will be part of the information that we use to plan our curriculum. In order to keep our wider community aware of the important work we are doing, we will continue to document Eco-committee meetings, projects and activities on Tapestry, Twitter

(#abercrombyecoschoolcampaign)
and via the newsletter.



Eco committee meeting No 1

Despite the restrictions imposed on us by Covid-19, we persevered and held our first whole school committee meeting.

On the agenda was to explore what we share our garden with, why it is a special place and how and why we should protect it. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves with a thorough exploration of the different parts of the garden. We found a number of different creatures and insects sharing our garden, squirrels and birds. The younger children learnt about where you can find different habitats and the older children discovered more about which species of birds visited our garden and what they like to eat.

