

## **Focus Topics, Targets and Actions**

During the academic year 2020-2021, Pheasey Park Farm is focusing on five of the Eco topics. These are:

**Energy**

**Biodiversity**

**School Grounds**

**Waste**

**Global Citizenship**

Here are the targets that the Eco Committee set at the beginning of the year for each of the focus topics and the actions we intend to take in order to achieve the targets by July 2021:

### **Energy**

Target: Reduce school's energy consumption.

Actions:

1. Take part in Switch Off Week to raise pupils knowledge and understanding of the importance of saving energy and reduce the amount of energy we use as a school during the campaign week.
2. Eco Warriors to take on the daily role of class Energy Monitors, ensuring lights and Smartboards are switched off when they're not needed.
3. Open classroom blinds to let in natural sunlight rather than using electric lights (at appropriate times).

### **Biodiversity**

Target: To develop awareness and understanding of local bird life.

Actions:

1. Take part in 'The Bird School Birdwatch 'during which children will observe the bird life in the school Nature Area.

Please note: due to Covid 19 restrictions and lockdown 3, this action was amended to a home learning task, where pupils throughout the school were encouraged to participate in 'The Big Garden Birdwatch' instead.

## **Biodiversity/School Grounds**

Target: To develop a wild meadow area alongside the KS2 playground.

Actions:

1. Poppy seeds will be scattered on the grass area next to the KS2 playground by members of Gardening Club. Once established, this area should attract more birds and minibeasts into this part of the school grounds.

Target: To develop the plant life outside the main entrance of the school.

Actions:

1. Some of the grass on the island outside the main entrance of the school will be cut away to make space for planting of more pansies in order to make the school grounds more aesthetically pleasing. Gardening Club and the Eco Warriors will be involved in this process.

Please note: Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 restrictions preventing Gardening Club from taking place this year and the gathering of Eco Warriors from different bubbles, these targets have not been achieved. They will be carried over to next academic year's Eco action plan instead.

## **Waste**

Target: To develop pupils' understanding of ways to reduce food waste.

Actions:

1. Pupils throughout the school will take part in 'World Food Day'. This will be introduced through key stage assemblies and pupils will have the opportunity to participate in a competition to design a poster of their 'food hero'.
2. Pupils will be encouraged to bring 'waste free' packed lunches to school on World Food Day.

## **Global Citizenship**

Target: To develop pupils understanding of global citizenship.

Actions:

1. All pupils will engage in a 'global citizenship' assembly which will explore the definition of the term and the idea of climate change/the climate crisis. Children will also be introduced to the global charity 'Send a Cow'.

2. Children will take part in a sponsored walk around the field and the money raised will be donated to the Send a Cow charity.

Please note: due to Covid 19, school isn't currently accepting any cash payments; therefore, collection of sponsorship money is not possible. This target will carry over to next academic year's Eco action plan as a result.

Alternatively, the whole school will take part in 'World Environment Day'. This will be acknowledged through key stage assemblies and an announcement will be made on year group pages on the School Site that will include a link to a relevant video.

### **Global Citizenship/Litter**

Target: To encourage pupils to contribute to improving the environment at a global scale.

Actions:

1. Key stage assemblies will take place during the summer term based on the 'litter' topic. A challenge will be introduced for pupils to conduct a litter pick when they're on their summer holidays and to take photographs. On return to school in the new autumn term, photographs will be shared in assemblies and a display will be created to evidence our pupils' global contribution to improving the environment.

Please note: due to the potential impact of Covid 19 restrictions on global holidays, this target has been amended to improving the environment at a local and national scale instead. Pupils will be encouraged to conduct a litter pick in their local area or while on UK summer holidays instead. The focus will be extended to a global scale next academic year.