



Ings Primary School

Eco Schools Newsletter



April 2022

Litter Picking - So far so good!

A huge thankyou to all those children who have taken part in our litter picking club this half-term. Over 100 children volunteered to take part and so far 46 children have taken part collecting over 50kg (around 1000 items) of rubbish! Well done!

Over the next term more children will be taking part and doing their bit to keep our school tidy. If you are a parent/carer of a child who is taking part, Mr Bell will be getting in touch after the Easter break to let you know how this will work and how we will keep your child safe whilst doing this valuable task.



Join Our Community Litter Pick

On **Saturday 30th April** we will be running a community litter pick to take our great work in school out into the local community. This will take place between **9:30 and 11:00** in the morning. We would be delighted if you and your child were able to take part in this. If you are interested, please complete the slip on the Litter Picking Letter we sent home before easter.

Bin changes in our classrooms



Following a two week-long 'Bin Audit' by our Eco-Committee, we discovered that firstly, we need more bins and secondly, we all need to remember what to put in them. As a result of this great work, we are changing the way in which we collect our waste within the school classrooms and offices.

From the start of the Summer Term, we will be using a range of bins in the classroom to reduce the amount of waste we send to landfill, and to enable us to recycle as much of our waste as possible.

A big thanks to the School Council who shared this information to the whole school during our assembly time and to Mr Coleiro, who has kindly built a frame so we are able to compost our food waste in the future.



COMING SOON..

The Ings' Toy 'Swap Shop'

As part of our work on Recycling and Reusing, the school is going to host a 'Swap Shop' on **Friday 20th May**. Children will have the opportunity to bring in an old toy and swap it for another. We hope that this will give these toys a second life and avoid them being thrown away needlessly. A letter with more information will be sent home after Easter with more details of how this will work.



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Summer Plans - Biodiversity

As Summer approaches our School focus is shifting towards Biodiversity and what we can do to support wildlife in our school and beyond.

Supporting Wildlife at Ings



As part of our Eco-Schools action plan, the children decided that they wanted to support wildlife and make Ings a welcoming place for a range of creatures.

In the Summer term, the classes will be taking part in a range of activities such as building 'bug hotels', bird boxes, bird feeders and container ponds (and many more) to encourage wildlife into our school. More information about what each class will be doing, and how you can support us, will be sent home after Easter.

Endangered animals/conservation fundraising event (Date TBC)

In the Summer Term, we will be hosting a fundraising event to raise money for a yet to be decided conservation project.

Our school Council has created a shortlist of possible charities that we could support, but the final decision will be made by all the children of the school. A vote will take place when we return after Easter and we will let you know the result as soon as the votes have been counted.

