

Eco-Schools Action Plan

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Bridgend.

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The new Curriculum for Wales.	Make sure that our learning domains for September 2022 have lots of opportunities in them to learn about environmental issues. Check the curriculum from the Atelier to Year 6.	Every year group has at least two domains in which lots of the learning has a clear environmental theme. Show this in our Curriculum Map. Go Green Day (For Cafod) October 2021 CAFOD workshops November 2021	Summer 2022	Chair and HT	We've looked at our curriculum and highlighted domains that will help us to learn more about environmental issues. There are lots! Cafod themed workshops and days were very successful
Energy	To track the energy we have used over the last two years. Let all know our target and ways of achieving it.	We use less energy now than two years ago. Ensure that each class has a monitor to check that lights and heaters are off when not needed. Lead an on-line assembly for all classes so that everyone is aware of this.	Summer 2022	Senedd	

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Bio-diversity School grounds	Put plan to develop school grounds into practice:				
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have new cabin style library constructed to the north of the main building. Sustainably sourced wood will be the main material used (from L4L). Insulation will be excellent and only low energy usage heaters will be used. 2. A new play area for the FP will be created. The base will be bark and all equipment will be made of wood. 	<p>The library will be finished by Easter and ready for all children to use. It will be very environmentally friendly.</p> <p>Materials delivered in the Spring Term and all ready for use in the Summer Term.</p>	<p>April 2022</p> <p>May 2022</p>	<p>Staff, Senedd and Eco-Committee.</p> <p>Staff, Senedd and Eco-Committee.</p>	<p>It's currently being constructed.</p> <p>The area is ready and the items have started to arrive.</p>

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Bio-diversity/ School grounds	Make sure that we make good use of our school pond in the conservation area so that all pupils take part in active learning about our environment (done in partnership with the Town Council). Buy new dipping equipment. Ensure that the pond is cleared of algae in the spring.	All classes have the chance to use the pond in their learning in the spring/summer of 2022.	Summer 2022	Senedd	Pond is available to all classes as planned but it is now in need of clearance work.
Bio-diversity/ School grounds	Purchase a polytunnel to allow for a variety of plants and vegetables to be grown. Set the polytunnel up for the new season.	Allotment is ready for the 2022 season.	Spring and summer 2022	Senedd/Mr. Sadd and volunteers.	Polytunnel has arrived in school and will be ready for the Summer Term.

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Bio-diversity/ School grounds.	Each class has the opportunity to check the hive with Mr. Wooding and Mr. Sadd. Check the apiary to see if there's enough honey to harvest. If yes, honey is bottled and sold. Prepare hives for a safe winter.	Honey is harvested. Apiary is safe for the winter.	Autumn 2021	Pupils/Mr. Wooding /Mr. Sadd	Honey has been harvested. There was only enough surplus for a small number of jars of honey to be taken.
Global perspective	Create opportunities for used, 'much loved' school uniform.to be brought to school and made available to parents at a low price (£1 per item).	Encourage the purchasing of as many second hand goods as possible. Start this by setting up a second hand school uniform service with the Friends of St. Mary's'.	Summer 2022.	Eco-Committee and the Friends of St. Marys.	We have regular uniform sales in school – the last one raised £167 @ £1 per item.

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Waste minimisation	Check all taps around school for leaks. Ensure that all taps work properly.	There aren't any leaks around the school.	Throughout 2021/22	Senedd/Mr. Sadd	Done with the help of Mr. Sadd. He's repaired two taps!
Recycling	Members ensure that their classes re-cycle paper/card so that all used material is re-cycled. Change waste company to one that collects waste that has been sorted for recycling.	All used paper is re-cycled. Materials across the school are sorted for weekly collection.	Spring/Summer 2022.	All pupils and staff.	The new waste collection deal is now done and so our waste is recycled instead of going to landfill. Eco members are being asked to empty their class bins into the recycling bin every day to ensure recycling is taking place.
School grounds/Global perspectives	Plant a range of wild meadow seeds in the grounds to increase the range of plants.	Meadow flowers in growth beyond the low school fence.	Summer 2022.	Senedd/Mr. Wooding/	Mr. Wooding will support us with this.
Transport	Survey the current traffic situation at the school. Take any necessary action.	Senedd to survey the parking near to the school; present findings to school and governors. Design a message to parents from children's point of view about safe parking/driving and car sharing.	Summer 2022.	Senedd/Mr. Watkins/	

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.Healthy Eating	Do a follow-up survey of packed lunches to see if the message has worked.	There is an increase in healthy food eaten in lunchboxes; report back to all pupils and governors.	Spring 2022.	Senedd/ Mr. Watkins	This has been delayed until the summer of 2022 due to Covid 19 rules.