

Eco Council

Newsletter May 2025

Eco Council is made up of representatives from each class from Year 1 to Year 6. Our primary role is to look after our school environment and school grounds, keeping it a clean and tidy area for us all to enjoy. We also encourage recycling and the conservation of electricity throughout the school. We have termly meetings to discuss our plans, review our objectives and share ideas and our councillors then report back to their classrooms to spread the word to their peers.

What have we been up to?

Completing a Carbon Count throughout the school has identified areas where we can improve our energy consumption. This helped us to establish a baseline to help us develop and implement sustainability strategies and allow us to track our progress towards our goals over time.

As part of our Carbon Count we reviewed the use of electricity in classrooms and communal areas. We have spread the word about the importance of switching off lights, computer monitors and smartboards when they are not in use.

Community Orchard

We are proud members of the community orchard and have four of our own trees that were kindly donated to the school ready to be transplanted into the ground after having been over wintered in pots on the school grounds.

Keep Britain Tidy Big School Clean

Keep Britain Tidy have recently held a week long Big School Clean. Eco club spent an afternoon litter picking around the school grounds, Bailey's Butterflies and the paths surrounding these areas. We managed to collect over 5 bin bags full of rubbish!

Diary Dates

No Mow May

Eco Club after school until 4pm

Thursday 1st May

Thursday 8th May

Thursday 15th May

For information only:

16th May — Endangered Species Day

20th May — World Bee Day

23rd May — World Turtle Day

World Environment Day June 5th



How is your Sunflower growing?

School children lend a hand planting hundreds of trees at Killingworth Lakeside Park



Pupils from schools in Killingworth have been helping plant a new mix of tree species to boost biodiversity at their local park.

The Green Flag award-winning Killingworth Lakeside Park is about to be redeveloped, with plans for a new play site, better parking, ecology-friendly landscaping, new street furniture and entrance features, and improved cycle and pedestrian routes.

Ahead of those improvements, tree management, woodland maintenance and new planting is being carried out. This has included the removal of dangerous and diseased trees such as those suffering ash dieback, and some tree thinning and shrub clearance.

To replace the trees that have been removed and introduce a wider variety of species, 450 young trees are being planted in the park's woodland.

Year 5 and 6 pupils from Amberley Primary and Bailey Green Primary were invited to take part in the planting.

Councillor Carl Johnson, Deputy Mayor for North Tyneside and cabinet member responsible for Regeneration, Culture and Economic Development said: "Killingworth Lakeside Park is a wonderful asset for our communities in the North West of the Borough... An important part of that is improving the biodiversity and ecology of the lake and woodland."