

Hazlehead School Eco Group Newsletter

Save!

- 1 *If you're still buying plastic bottles of water, buy a reusable bottle instead.*
- 2 *Clean your home with natural products, just about anything can be cleaned with vinegar, lemon juice and baking soda.*
- 3 *Take a couple simple steps to save a lot of energy in your home.*
- 4 *Carry a reusable bag and refuse plastic bags, no more breaking, tearing or blowing in the wind.*

Be well!

- 1 *Walk or bike more. It's not only good for your health, it's good for everyone else's health by reducing pollution.*
- 2 *Eat more locally grown food. Seasonal produce that hasn't flown half-way around the world will be fresher, tastier and cuts down on the pollution that causes global warming.*
- 3 *Buy organic when you can particularly peaches, apples, bell peppers, celery, nectarines and strawberries, which contain the most pesticides.*

2nd Green Flag Award

Our Eco Group have been working hard to learn about and address some of the United Nations' Global Goals. We have focussed our attention on three that complimented our agenda.

Global Goal 7 - Energy: Our group monitored the energy consumption for the school (with the help of our Janitor, Mr Bruce) on a weekly basis and successfully reduced this through spot checks on classrooms and hot spots of concern. We also took part in Aberdeen City Council's Green Santa Initiative to re-use old electronics.

Global Goal 12 - Litter: Every week the children conducted a Litter Patrol Rota. This was to ensure all litter was being disposed of correctly. We recorded the data and tracked our success. A reward system was created that directly linked into our House Points so everyone could help win points.

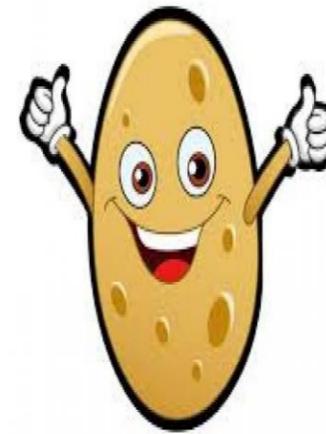
Global Goal 13 - Food: As we all try to eat a little healthier, we started to track the origins of our snacks. Our survey revealed that most of our fruit was being transported from foreign climates (for obvious reasons). We love a challenge- so we tried to reduce our carbon footprint by buying locally grown fruits or even better some of us even started growing our own!

So after all this work and more we haven't mentioned, we applied for our Eco Schools 2nd Green Flag and we were delighted with our success!



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Tattie Growing Competition



All classes are taking part in Aberdeen Council's Annual Potato Growing Competition. Last week the Eco Group allocated each year group some compost and a large seed potato to get them started. The winners will be the group that grow the heaviest crop, so good luck!

Plastic Fantastic

We would like to reuse any 2 litre plastic drink bottles you may be throwing away. At the moment we have 359 bottles and need 2500 to build a greenhouse. So with some numeracy skills we have calculated we still require 2141 bottles.

HOW TO BUILD A PLASTIC BOTTLE GREENHOUSE



Community Action Day

A huge thank you to all the families who came along to help out at our annual Action Day. They were busy clearing, tidying and preparing our garden for the projects yet to come. We really appreciate your help in looking after our school grounds.

