

Eco Committee Minutes -17.1.23

Absent: Cara (P3/4), Teigan (P5/6), Laura and Rachel (P7 – school trip)

Discussion Points

- Discussed water bottle competition – this went well and the classes enjoyed designing their bottle. We would like to have another competition in the future – art based.
- We talked about the plans to make our Reading Igloo using recycled bottles. To turn these into 'eco bricks' we now need to collect packaging to fill them with. We agreed crisp and sweet packets were best. Classes will now stop collecting bottles and instead use their 'bag for life' to collect wrappers.
- The children think we should put posters around the playground/school to advertise our project and encourage them to recycle/donate their packaging.
- Can we have a wall where we can display our Eco Committee progress and plans – the children said they would like to let others see our progress. Possibly dinner hall?
- Miss Feeney told the children that we are having a delivery of trees soon – asked for suggestions about what we could do with these. Suggestions included: gift to families, plant outside the school gates/car park, make a forest in the playground.
- Questions around creating a 'school garden' – the children suggested the grassy space behind/beside the Muga. We could use this to plant our trees, ask for donations from local businesses and start a gardening club for families. Mrs Calendar or the council would need to give us permission.
- Design a garden competition – Eco Schools are running this ending in Feb. We might be too late to enter but we could have our own school competition in Term 4 and the winning design gets used in our school garden.

Action Points

- Make posters to encourage recycling (all children at next meeting)

- Type a letter to teachers/classes explaining our plans for the reading igloo (Jenny and Melody P6)
- Write a letter to Mrs Calendar/SLC to ask permission for a school garden (discuss reasons at next meeting, Laura and Rachel P7 to write)
- Organise a 'Design a Garden' competition for Term 4
- Start working on building our eco bricks and reading igloo – find a place for safe storage. Miss Feeney will find space – possibly in changing room?
- Miss Feeney to find out if there is a suitable space for a wall display