

Minutes – Eco Schools Action Meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> November 9.30am

Present: Angy Bovil, Peter Robinson, Maggie Guy, Richard Hughes , Imogen Gartside, Bella Eames Matthews, Elinor Hirst Jonty Taylor

1. Agreed on minutes from last meeting
2. Bella and Jonty- reported back on the success of the **Switch Off Fortnight Campaign** – The Northmoor Trust energy bus visited on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2009. All Environmental Reps from Years 10-13 discussed the use of energy saving light bulbs, potential for saving. Junior and senior school experienced hands on workshops on the bus and went on to ‘cascade the information’ to their tutor groups on what they had learnt. Workshops followed for Env Reps from Years 10-13 on designing a zero carbon home.  
AB and senior Environmental Reps. took **Full School Meeting** on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November to raise awareness amongst the whole school of **Saying no to standby and switching on the switching off campaigns being run by Eco Schools.**  
**Launch of Light switch competition** – To design a postcard sized poster to encourage people to switch off lights. 85 entries received. These have been laminated and copied to provide enough to put one over every light switch in the school.
3. AB - Northmoor trust have been booked again to present a **recycling workshop** on Friday March 19<sup>th</sup> 2010. Delivering workshops on : environmental footprint, food miles, incinerators vs landfill (debate) and full school meeting.
4. AB - **Big tidy up campaign.** Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November Environmental reps collected litter from around the school grounds- 5 bags full, recording on Eco Schools pod by Charles Wilkinson
5. AB - **Press coverage** and photos prepared and sent to Ali Bromhall, for switch off fortnight and the big tidy up campaign. Articles also sent to CC for **school newsletter.**
6. PR-**Recycling** cardboard .Contacted Grundon , awaiting cardboard recycling quote
7. Ellie - **Uganda challenge**- Update on fundraising activities. Christmas fair stall planned. Clothes sale, raised £600, Application to Trusts earlier this year – successful - received one cheque from trust today for £1,000, still awaiting more responses. Discussed the Re-trak project and Orphanage visits which the challenge team will be visiting during the trip.
8. PR - **Tree planting week**- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 11.00- All Year 7 pupils will be planting a hedge by the iron age round house by the Junior School. They will be helped by Countryside and Environment and Year 12/13 Environmental reps.
9. Imogen –Report on **Fair-trade** forthcoming events – Christmas fair stall, selling fair-trade produce. Only Fair-trade tea and coffee are now served in school. Fair-trade bananas are now served in school canteen.  
Fair-trade fortnight in February– Theme this year is the Big Swap -Planning a tea party on both Tuesdays in the Hall foyer serving fair trade tea to raise awareness amongst the pupils, offer free fair-trade cakes etc. Fair-trade lunch potential, different produce at Christmas fair? Fair-trade tea, coffee, and sugar – fair-trade hot drink gift bags. AB has ordered Fair Trade fortnight campaign products and a giant inflatable tea cup.  
The Fair Trade group and looking into the possibility of us becoming a Fair Trade School.

10. Bella –**Eco Schools Notice Board**. A new display has been put up including the Green Flag Action plan, Photo of the environmental reps, new information, feedback from campaigns from this half term.
11. AB – Forthcoming events -**Eco code** Competition to create and update eco code and 'eco-rap'  
JT - eco logo competition design and draw, for eco school related events.
12. AB and CC are currently setting up a replacement Eco Page on the pupil area on the school website.

**Next meeting Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2010 9.30 Room SFC1.**