

**Elton Primary School & Nursery** 

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am very pleased to announce that Elton Primary School has been awarded the Eco Schools Green Flag award 2022 from Keep Britain Tidy.

Last year, the school's Eco Committee was resurrected following the pandemic. Members from across the year groups inspected the school and its grounds to complete an Environmental review, The areas they considered were Biodiverisity, Energy, Global Citizenship, Healthy Living, Litter, Marine, School grounds, Transport, Water and Waste. As a result of the review, they identified a number of areas where improvements could be made and created an Environmental Action Plan.

As a result, a lot of work has taken place to develop a Forest school and outdoor classroom area which is currently used by the lower year groups for learning outside the classroom slessons linked to their curriculum. Recycling in the classrooms and offices has been actively encouraged and paper collected has been used to help create compost for use in the forest school area. The school have also been supporting the aim to become more environmentally friendly by reducing energy consuption with it's ongoing LED lighting upgrades. A grant from John Lewis funded the upgrade of the entire junior hall to LED. The school also now has it's own litter pickers and hoops and will be able to arrange it's own litter-picking activities on the school grounds.

Along with the fantastic effots of the Eco-Committee, Miss Price has been instrumental in this work and in making the application to Keep Britain Tiday for the Eco Schools Green flag award. Mrs Wilson, Mrs Reilly and Miss Lyndsey also give up their time to help with the newly re-named Nature Explorers group.

Congratulations to everyone involved in receiving this Award. In the absence of a flag pole, we will find somewhere for the flag to be displayed with pride alongside our certificate.

Yours truly,

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Kevin Maning Headteacher.



