



Eco Schools

Raising achievement, Saving Money:

Schools Carbon Reduction. Energy and sustainability service.

North Yorkshire Schools now have 72% of schools taking part in the Eco Schools Programme.

Joining Eco-Schools will help you save money!

Being greener is actually about reducing the amount of resources we consume and being responsible with those that we use. Making small changes to how your school is run can save you vast amounts of money. Implementing simple things like stopping draughts, closing doors and windows, and switching off lights and electrical appliances when not in use, can reduce energy bills. This is also linked to the premises governors' terms of reference and ensures good governance can be identified by OFSTED.

Joining Eco-Schools will get you recognition and publicity!

Involvement in Eco-Schools can raise the profile of your school locally, regionally, nationally and even internationally. When you achieve Bronze and Silver awards, you receive a certificate that proves your commitment and a logo you can use. When you reach Green Flag Award level, you also receive an actual Green Flag that you can either fly or use as a display in its own right.

Eco schools Links to the curriculum!

Eco-Schools provides great ways of introducing environmental topics into the Curriculum and creates a dynamic learning environment. This can form part of the Spiritual, Moral Social & Cultural and Learning outside the classroom, agendas. These can form part of OFSTEDs overall effectiveness judgement. The programme ties many school topics, encouraging everything from scientific review through to cultural understandings and even data analysis.

A recent independent study highlighted its impact in the classroom and beyond. The in-depth analysis found that the Eco-Schools program can lead to:

Significant improvements in a child's wellbeing. Increasing their self-confidence, their ability to build relationships and their awareness of others. Improvements in motivation and cognitive skills were also reported.

Raising achievement: Evidence from OFSTED, DFE and several leading academics show how schools that place importance on environmental and sustainability issues are also schools that raise achievement and do well across the board.

Eco-Schools use less water and energy. 79% of school management teams that were surveyed said adopting the Eco-Schools program had enabled them to cut energy costs.

Within North Yorkshire schools and academies are supported through the scheme by the schools Carbon reduction officers both of whom are Eco schools Green Flag assessors. They are available to support all schools who are part of the Energy team traded “Total service.”

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