



School improvement by going for Eco Schools green Flag.

OFSTED say....

- Integrate sustainable development into their development plans and ensure that resources and training are available to support it.
- Identify a key person to manage & coordinate sustainable development within & outside the classroom .
- Give all pupils the opportunity to learn about and take an active part in promoting sustainability within the school and beyond, through membership of school councils, eco councils and other groups.
- Give all pupils the opportunity to put their understanding of local issues into a global context, so that they see how their decisions can have an impact on others now and in the future.

The Eco Schools assessor training says

- Assessors should find out how involved pupils were in the development of the Eco-Code, confirm that the Eco-Code is prominently displayed and check knowledge and understanding of the Code.
- Assessors should speak to pupils (& staff) about how they monitor their actions, and look at physical evidence of monitoring & evaluation (e.g. Graphs, before-and-after photos, examples of class work.
- Assessors should speak to pupils (& staff) to find out how involved they were in the development of the action plan, how they share the plan with the rest of the school.
- Assessors should speak to pupils to find out how involved they are in running the committee, in decision making, and how they share what's discussed in meetings with the rest of the school.
- Assessors should speak to the committee (& staff) about Eco-Schools topics they have covered, and look at any evidence of curriculum links
- Assessors should view the Eco-Board, and speak to the pupils and staff about how else they communicate & involve the rest of the school and the wider community with Eco-Schools work
- Assessors should confirm that the school has tackled the topics listed in their action plan by speaking to pupils (& staff) and viewing physical evidence of the work included in the school's action plan
- Assessors should observe litter levels within the school grounds during the tour of the school.