

How does our curriculum promote how we care for our environment?

EYFS and KS1

Visitor from Resource Futures – Devon Waste Education Team (free) Children learnt about how to reduce, reuse, recycle – plastics in the sea.

Learning through books e.g. The Life of a Plastic Bottle, Someone's swallowed Stanley.

Topic – Around the world – Spring 1 - How we take care of our planet/ wildlife.

Recycling and sorting right from EYFS. Composting fruit snacks. Litter picking.

Year 3

Spring 2 – Stone Age to Iron Age locality – They will be looking at how they can look after our local environment.

Summer 1 – Plants – Grow your own. Morrisons points (involving the community).

Year 4

Autumn 1 and 2 – Rivers – How they impact the environment i.e. tourism/ pollution. The importance of rivers on the environment – keeping them clean.

Spring 1 – Flooding – Climate change. Enquiry question – Can we change life on Earth?

Year 5/6

Autumn 1 and 2 – Charles Darwin topic – Children studied the ecology of the Galapagos Islands. We did a lot of work using the Galapagos Conservation Trust. Children learnt about the challenges that we face in ensuring a sustainable future for these unique islands and find out about ground-breaking conservation projects happening now. Year 5 even adopted a penguin as their Christmas present!

Whole school events:

Science Week last year – plastics – gallery in the hall. Plans for 'Being Green' for this year's – TBC.

Meat free Mondays

PSHE – whole school unit 1 of Jigsaw was 'Being me in my world' which teaches an understanding of how to be a good global citizen.

Year 4, 5 and 6 event – 31st January – Planet Action Workshop looking at climate change. Visitors in.

Additional future workshops planned.

Earth Day to be celebrated on 22nd April – whole school event - TBC

Seed balls ordered for each class to grow from the BBC – free giveaway to celebrate The Green Planet.