

Freshfield Nursery

You have an extremely large Eco-Committee supported by 5 adult members of staff. This demonstrates a whole nursery approach to the Eco-Schools programme and a commitment to environmental education and pupil-led eco-action. Great work!

The adult quote provided is brilliant. They're clearly passionate about making a change within your nursery and local community and we're delighted that they are making a difference through the Eco-Schools programme, what a fantastic ambassador for your nursery and our programme.

It's brilliant to read that the Environmental Review helped your pupils appreciate everything that your school is already doing to benefit our environment and identify areas to work on in the future.

Your Action Plan shows that your Eco-Committee have carefully considered how they can involve their entire nursery in their planned Eco-Schools' activities to achieve maximum impacts and raise awareness amongst their school community.

The three curriculum examples provided are a great example of environmental education. They are practical and fun examples of eco-education with a real-life context that will engage young people.

Your Eco-Committee have used a wide variety of methods to inform their nursery community about their work including Staff meetings, Governor meetings, Planning Meetings, daily teaching and Tapestry – this shows they take pride in their achievements and are working hard to involve and educate all around them.

Getting involved with organisations such as Heaton Mersey Preservation Society, The Big Bird Watch, The Woodland Trust, The Big Battery Hunt and The Allotment Society are great examples of collaboration. Your ability and willingness to partnership is impressive! We'll need this approach to fight the impacts of climate change in the future!

We love your parent quote about the young girl who now teaches her parents how to recycle!

We love how the children's knowledge of healthy eating, healthy living and recycling have been some of your overall successes on your Eco-Schools journey this year. This is what the best forms of climate action are about – impactful but achievable things that create a positive experience and prompt more action. We love this!

Well done on overcoming some of your biggest challenges – ***“Supporting parents to promote a healthy lifestyle at home and provide healthy lunches and snacks for children at nursery. We overcame this by doing lots of food tasting at school to find new healthy foods children enjoyed and by sending lots of information and healthy eating 'rainbow' challenges home for parents and children to do to support their engagement”*** This shows a real commitment to the programme, your students and the wider community.

Your acrostic poem Eco-Code is beautifully designed, and easy to follow with a powerful message. It's a great reflection of the ethos your Eco-Committee have created, well done to all involved!

Thank you so much for submitting such a terrific application. We have loved reading about your journey and are incredibly impressed by all you have achieved. We have no hesitation in awarding you an Eco-Schools Green Flag congratulations!