

PRIMARY

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Eco-School

Completed by (name and year group):

The Anson Eco Council

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Biodiversity		
•	No	Yes
Does your school have a natural area to work and play in?		
Does your school have any pet animals or insects?		
Has your school ever recorded wildlife in the school grounds (e.g. bird or butterfly counts)?		✓
Does your school encourage insect and animal life in the school grounds (e.g. bug hotels, butterfly garden, bird baths, long grass, hedges, wildlife boxes)?	X	
Does your school have plants in beds, pots or containers around the school?		
Are pupils aware of the global threat to biodiversity?	X	
	Score	4

We would like to investigate the possibility of building a bug hotel in the area at the back of the school.

We also want the teachers to check where they could fit more biodiversity into the curriculum.





Energy	Νο	Yes
Are lights and computer monitors switched off when not in use?		
Are windows closed when heating or air conditioning is on and curtains or blinds closed at night?		
Have you ever read your school's energy meter?	X	
Do your school grounds have any renewable energy sources (e.g. wind turbine, solar panel)?	X	
Does your school take part in energy-saving programmes such as Switch Off Fortnight?	X	
Are pupils aware that saving energy can help save the planet?		
	Score	3

We would like to create some posters to make sure everyone is switching off lights or computers when they are not being used.

We would also like to take part in Switch Off Fortnight and run an Electricity Free Day to begin a conversation about energy.







Global Citizenship		
	No	Yes
Have any classes learnt about another country this term?		
Do any of the classes in your school learn a foreign language?		
Does your school buy Fairtrade products whenever possible?	X	
Do classes in your school discuss the news regularly?		
Does your school host fundraising events for local or global charities?		
Does your school celebrate different cultures and religions		
(e.g. do you try different food types or celebrate different religious/cultural holidays)?		
	Score	5

We need to ask the teachers and the people in the kitchen how much Fairtrade is considered when they are buying things for the school.



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Healthy Living		
	No	Yes
Do pupils take part in daily exercise?		
Is drinking water available in each class?	X	
Are healthy options encouraged for school dinners and break-times?		
Does your class discuss mental health and wellbeing issues?		
Does your school grow its own fruit and vegetables?		
Are pupils aware of the benefits of a healthy lifestyle?		\checkmark
	Score	5

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Drinking water is not available from the taps in Reception, Year One, Regent's and Year 6. Is this something that can be changed?

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Litter		
	Νο	Yes
Are the school grounds free from litter?		
Does everyone know the location of bins inside and outside schools?		
Are there enough bins inside and outside the school?		
Are the bins emptied regularly?		
Does your school participate in regular litter picks?		
Are pupils aware of the impact of litter on the environment?		
	Score	6

Litter picks in the school are not often necessary as we do not allow snacks in the playground. We tidy up after Loose Change Lunchtime and other events.







Marine		
	No	Yes
Is the fish used in school meals caught sustainably?	?	
Has your school ever been on a trip to a beach, river, lake or aquarium?		
Does your school ban single-use plastics (e.g. straws, balloons, plastic bags)?	X	
Does your school use environmentally-friendly cleaning products?	?	
Has your school participated in a river or beach clean up?	X	
Does your school teach about marine life conservation?		
	Score	2

We do not know about the fish used in school meals and would like to find out.

We would like to think about ways we can reduce the amount of plastic used in the school and ban single-use plastics where we can.







No

Yes

School Grounds

Do you have lessons outside regularly?		
Do you play outside everyday (even when it's cold or slightly raining)?		
Do you grow and look after plants in school?		
Is the equipment in your playground working and well- looked after?		
Does your school have an outdoor learning space?		
Do you have the opportunity to suggest improvements to your school grounds?		
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Comments:







Transport		
	Νο	Yes
Does your school have a dry, safe place to store bicycles and scooters?		
Does your school offer training on using bikes and scooters safely?	X	
Does your school have a school travel plan?	X	
Does your school encourage sustainable travel?		
Are the roads safe outside your school (do they have zebra crossings, lollipop people, traffic lights, yellow zigzags)?		
Are children aware of the global impact of air pollution?		
	Score	4

We would like to find out more about what a travel plan is and if we need one at Anson.







Waste		
	Νο	Yes
Does each classroom have a recycling bin?		
Does food waste go in a compost bin?		
Do teachers try not to use printed sheets?	X	
Does your school use recycled school books and equipment?	X	
Does your school have hand dryers or towels instead of paper towels?		
Do students know why it is important to refuse, reduce, reuse, repair and recycle?		
	Score	4

We use a lot of photocopies in our maths books. There is a lot of paper used in the school. We would like to think about different ways to do some of the things that use a lot of paper.





Are your taps self-stopping and do your toilets have water saving devices? Are school plants watered using waste water? Do you learn how to save water? Do you have a reusable water bottle? Do you have a reusable water bottle? Do you have access to the school water meter? Do you learn about issues surrounding the availability of clean water in other countries?	
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Things we are doing well:

We know a lot about the world around us, how to stay healthy and we look after our school.

Things we could be doing better:

We should try to reduce our use of plastic in the school, improve where we can get water and look at ways of saving or making energy.

Topics we want to work on during our Action Plan:

We would like to take part in Switch off Fortnight. We would like to ban single-use plastic bottles completely. We want to learn more about ways to save water.

Congratulations, you have completed your Environmental Review! The next step is your Action Plan. Don't forget to let your whole school know what you have found out.

