

Green-Schools Action Plan

Action / Target	Person/Group responsible	Timeframe	Progress Made
Inform parents that the school is involved in the Biodiveristy Green flag	Mrs. McNamara and Ms. Foster	School year 2023/2024 & 2024/2025	Ongoing
Carry out a Biodiversity Awareness Survey to examine the level of awareness among students and staff	Green schools committee, Mrs. McNamara & Class teachers.	School year 2023/2024	Achieved
Habitat map the school grounds ad do up a list of the biodiversity in our school	Green schools committee & Mrs. McNamara	School year 2023/2024	Achieved
Quantify and display the results of the survey on the Green schools notice boards	Green schools committee & Mrs. McNamara	School year 2023/2024	Achieved
Analyse the survey and suggest recommendations	Green schools committee, pupils and Class teachers.	School year 2023/2024 & 2024/2025	Ongoing
Plant conkers to grow trees for the school and children's homes.	Senior classes and Mrs. McNamara	Autumn 2023/2024 & 2024/2025	Achieved
Set up a Biodiversity library of books and resources in one location in the school	Ms. Foster and the Green School Committee	School year 2023/2024	Achieved
Guest speakers on Biodiversity, a Zoologist speaking about birds and a Botanist to talk to the children about trees (through 'Heritage in Schools')	Ms. Foster, Mrs. McNamara and the Class teachers.	September 2024	Achieved
Discuss the importance of maintaining ecosystems and the various arguments for preserving particular habitats	Whole School	School year 2023/2024, 2024/2025 & 2025/2026	Ongoing

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WOW Walk on weekdays and COW Cycle on Weekdays to encourage children to walk or cycle to school.	Green schools committee, pupils, Class teachers and parents.	School year 2023/2024, 2024/2025 & 2024/2025	Ongoing
Cycle training.	Ms. Foster and 5th and 6th pupils	June 2023, 2024 & 2025	Ongoing
Raise awareness of the importance of keeping our locality litter free with a Spring Clean Day	Green schools committee, pupils and Class teachers.	School year 2023/2024, 2024/2025 & 2025/2026	Ongoing
Litter picking in the school to keep our school tidy.	Ms. Ryan & 3 rd and 4 th class	School year 2023/2024, 2024/2025 & 2025/2026	Ongoing
Encouraging the children to use the correct bin to increase waste that can be recycled.	Green school committee, Rebecca Hussey and SNA and School teachers, student monitors.	School year 2023/2024, 2024/2025 & 2025/2026	Ongoing
Conserving energy by turning off lights and interactive whiteboards when not needed.	Pupils and teachers, student monitors.	School year 2023/2024, 2024/2025 & 2025/2026	Ongoing
To include other organisations in the community to get our Biodiversity flag. Letter to Tidy towns and Soccer club.	Pupils, teachers and other community leaders	February 2025	Not achieved
To hold a 'Fun Cycle'	Green schools committee, pupils, Class teachers and parents.	June 2024/May/June 2025	Ongoing

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Make a bug hotel	Senior classes	April/May 2024	Not achieved
Create an outdoor classroom	Ms. Foster and Class teachers with Grounds caretaker.	May/June/September 2024	Achieved
River walk to O'Brien's Bridge	Senior classes	June 2024 & June 2025	Ongoing
Bird watching	5th and 6th class	October/November/December 2024	Ongoing
Make a birdhouse for smaller birds to feed at.	5th and 6th class	December 2024	Not achieved
Visit an organic farm	Senior classes, class teacher and SET	May 2024	Not achieved
Make a leaf mulch area	3rd and 4th classes	December 2024	Not achieved
Make a Biodiversity Code	1st to 6th classes	January/February 2025	Not achieved
Create a nature walk in our locality	Green schools committee	March/April 2025	Not achieved
Do a bug hunt around the school grounds	Green schools committee	March/April 2025	Not achieved

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Plant more insect or bee friendly flowers; leave one area wild for biodiversity.	Whole school	April/May 2025	Not achieved
Do a tree study on native Irish trees in our school grounds.	All classes	January/February to May 2025	Not achieved