

Eco Team Cross Site Meeting - 18.03.24 at Orchard Primary School

Southwold		Orchard		Hoxton Garden	
Lauren Ani & Year 6 representatives		Lorna Ward & Year 5 and 6 representatives		Fahmida Muqtadir & Year 6 representatives	
Item		Discussion/Tasks			
Introductions and purpose for meeting		<p>Eco Teams shared their role and what has been going well on their sites. LW shared objectives of the meeting and group discussed any issues that have arisen since the last meeting.</p> <p>Eco team representatives share what they would like to achieve over the next term and upcoming events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Coffee morning 2. Climate Action assembly 3. Green Flag application 			
Green Flag priority update and actions so far. Water		<p>LW shared statistics of water waste in the UK. Pupils completed a quiz as a group to garner an understanding of the wider world context.</p> <p>The group discussed citizenship and why it is everyone's responsibility to contribute to helping the issue.</p> <p>Children shared ideas of their role in this process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>'It is our responsibility to improve awareness.'</i> Thor, Southwold. - <i>'We could share helpful tips, maybe some people want to help but don't know how.'</i> Ahmed, Orchard Primary School - <i>'Let's think of a way to get them involved in our mission, rather than telling them what to do.'</i> Alina, Hoxton Garden 			
Green Flag priority update and actions so far. Healthy Living		<p>LW shared the Eat-Well Plate and other 'Healthy Living' images – children were asked to define their understanding of what it means to be healthy. Children shared the different aspects: diet, exercise and mental health. The group listed what we already do at our schools to promote this. How is this related to sustainability?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>'Not eating meat is good for the environment due to greenhouse gases and mass production, it also promotes a healthy diet.'</i> Nahid, Hoxton Garden. - <i>'Walking to school is something we can promote. This will reduce the amount of cars on the road.'</i> Leon, Southwold. - <i>'Talking about our mental health is very important. It is healthy. If we feel well, we make good choices.'</i> Jake, Orchard <p>The group also discussed if there was anything we think we need to do more of – Keep Healthy Week in summer term always promotes each facet of healthy living, with a particular theme each year. The children suggested they could reach out to PE subject leaders to help promote the connection between healthy living and sustainability.</p>			

<p>Green Flag priority update and actions so far. Litter</p>	<p>Children discussed their previous experiences of litter picking. Adults shared plans to complete another in Summer 2. LW has requested more litter picking equipment – to be delivered Summer 1.</p> <p>How does it make you feel when you see litter in school or in our local area?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 'It makes me feel sad because people don't want to look after their environment.' Mariamu, Orchard Primary School. - 'I think it means people don't respect their surroundings. It is hard to make people do it, because you don't see them do it.' Sukmoni, Hoxton Garden. - <i>'There are so many bins on the streets in Hackney, I don't understand it. I put my rubbish in my pocket or in my bag if I can't see one.'</i> Maysun, Southwold.
<p>National Education Nature Park: Review</p>	<p>LW shared the National Education Nature Park website and children made links to their previous curriculum learning i.e. Sustainability, global resourcing, PSHCE.</p> <p>Children shared enthusiasm to show their class teachers so they could use this in the classroom. Group discussed how else it could be used. Children agreed it could be sent home as home so children and their parents engaged with nature around them, whether in a garden or their local park.</p>
<p>Earth Day</p>	<p>Group discussed how best to promote Earth Day.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Children to do an assembly. - Schools to dress in blue – money to be sent to WaterAid - Save Water poster competition
<p>AOB</p>	<p>N/A</p>