Kirkstall St Stephen's C of E Primary School video film transcript

Run time: 2 mins 1 sec

Appendix 5

Our involvement in the Inner North West Uniform Exchange Project by Kirkstall St Stephen's C of E Primary School Eco Council.

"We donate to the Inner North West Uniform Exchange. Our first collection of outgrown school clothes has already been re-distributed in North West Leeds.

We have joined the Inner North West Uniform Exchange and this is our collection box. We have already collected enough of our outgrown uniform for a first collection and we are well on our way to a second one. We have made sure as many families know about the collection through our website and newsletter and it's proving a popular way to re-use uniform rather than having to buy new every time.

Breathe new life into old clothes. Donate, repair, swap, recycle. Globally one garbage truck of textiles is land-filled or burned every second.

2,700 litres of water is used to make one T-shirt. If every child starting primary school in Leeds has just one in their uniform that's 27 million litres of water.

It takes up to 3 kg's of chemicals to produce 1 kg of cotton.

Did you know extending the life of clothes by just nine months could save 20-30% of carbon, water and waste footprints?

We had a go at rag rugging using scraps from old clothes.

Choose second hand and help make Leeds a zero waste city by 2030. Thank you for listening. We will continue to collect our outgrown uniform and do our bit to make Leeds a zero waste city in our lifetime".

Richmond Hill Academy video film transcript

Run time: 4 mins 48 secs

"We are in harmony school which means that we work with Opera North and every pupil learns to play an instrument. The pieces of music that we learn and perform are linked to our learning and this term our piece was linked to our studying in the impact of plastics in the ocean. The piece was called 'Barrier Reef' and is by Katie and David Blackwell and it helped us to think about the ocean and how they are being forever damaged.

Last year we formed an Eco Club in school to examine what we do in school and how we become more sustainable. Some of the projects we have undertaken include taking part in community clean-ups with members of the local community and Leeds City Council picking up rubbish in the local area. We have run campaigns to encourage pupils to walk to school and not leave their car's running near school.

We have also made sure that the school has installed recycling bins in every classroom and that all pupils have their own multi-use glasses as we address the issue of single use plastics. We have written a student green charter which will be launched to schools in assemblies and will be displayed in classrooms.

As a trust we have formed the group that focusses on sustainability and we have a number of aims including we are looking forward to being carbon neutral by 2025. We are also going to launch gets hydrated to reduce and illuminate the single use plastics and products across our school. Installing bio-domes in every school across the Trust. We're also going to introduce a recipe book that encourages families of all kinds to use locally sourced ingredients and encourage them to grow their own.

We are having a living wall installed at school which will include plants that create/produce and ones that absorb pollutants. We are also working with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust and will become a nature friendly school. Next year we will have outdoor learning environments which will enable us to fully explore the issues we are studying.

We are the Eco Club. We are going to look at it now and forever!"

Strawberry Fields Primary School video film transcript

Run time: 2 mins 37 secs

"When I was in Year 1 we did litter picking.

Last year we set up a growth tower to see how big plants could get.

What we have done in the past is we've planted trees to get more oxygen and most of the eco council panted a tree each from each class.

Every week we have a meat free day because the eco council wanted to do it.

In Strawberry Fields the Eco council have been doing everything that they can to save the environment like going to recycling centres so we can learn where the rubbish goes and why it's important to recycle.

Strawberry Fields has already done many things to help save the environment. We've created and signed a petition for more vegetarian meals. We've also planted over 100 trees near the back fence but I also have an idea of my own. Since we can't mix bubbles maybe each class, at a different time, with some supplies could go down to a pond area and fix a small area of it.

I think we should have a cycle to school week and also a 'beyond meat' week.

I think we should grow more trees and definitely have a 'beyond meat' day.

And beyond meat tastes exactly like meat but it's actually vegetables.

If you just cut down rainforests and you feed the animals with the food from the rainforests and we eat the animals.... sowe're just... well we're making pollution.

Cycle to school week.

For the past few years we've been planting trees to help the environment.

My idea's to hang posters about the environment to help/encourage people to save this world, it's the only one we're 'gonna get.

I think we should plant more vegetables because we can use them in the dinner hall.

I think we should turn out old scraps and fruit and veg into compost.

I was thinking 'cause the pond area's a mess right now I was thinking if we could probably plant some more flowers and plants.

Also we could make our own bug hotels, bird feeders and bird food as well.

We have planted over 100 trees in our back fence and we've used the growing tower in the forage of knowledge.