



Our Sustainability Action Plan 2025-2026



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where every child has a V.O.I.C.E”***



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**THE FUTURE IS IN OUR HANDS.
LET'S COME TOGETHER,
RAISE OUR VOICES, AND
DEMAND THE SUSTAINABLE
AND JUST WORLD WE DESERVE.**

– HELENA GUALINGA



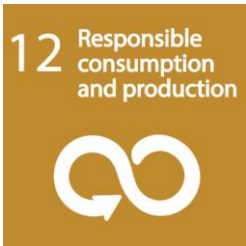
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Key Priority 1: Decarbonisation (Travel and transport and energy efficiency)					
To contribute to reducing the air pollution in the immediate area.  	Encourage Pupils to walk to school. Eco Ambassadors to create a walk to school event to encourage more children to walk and to promote the health benefits as well as the positive impact on the environment	Site Supervisor SLT Eco Ambassadors Pupils and Families	Bike ability Trainers	Walk to school events planned for academic year 26-27 Bikeability took place July 26. Road Safety workshops for EYFS and KS2 pupils.	Pupils are walking to school/or part way to school The air within the immediate environment is less polluted. Families are travelling to school in a more sustainable way. Families are safe on their journey to school.

To promote sustainable transport to and from school. 	Pupils in Upper Key Stage 2 have access to Bike ability, which teaches them how to ride a bike safely on the roads around school and the community. School has bike storage facilities for those who cycle to and from school.	Pupils and families School staff		School has bike storage facilities available.	More pupils use sustainable means of transport. The air within the immediate environment is less polluted.
To reduce carbon emissions within our school 	Eco Schools resources to be used as pupils work towards the Green Flag award. A pupil led programme will contribute to reducing our schools carbon emissions and energy efficiency. Energy efficiency posters and letters to be made to encourage good habits with paper and use of energy within school. Minibus to be used for school competitions/walk wherever possible to avoid the number of vehicles travelling.	Eco School Lead Eco Ambassadors Site Manager SLT	Eco Schools Online Eco School Lead SLT	Minibuses/parent transport have been used and wherever possible we have walked on school trips. Eco Lead and Committee appointed. Target remains.	Children will begin to understand their sense of duty in the wider world and the impact they can have on the planet. The school building will benefit from a reduction in carbon emissions.

To build energy efficiency across the school 	Eco Ambassadors to complete an Energy Audit with the aim of how we can become more energy efficient over time. Ambassadors to share findings with school community and to use newsletters, assemblies and posters to highlight their findings and important messages.	Site Supervisor Business Manager Eco Schools Lead SLT	Eco Schools Online Resources SLT	Eco Committee established in the summer term. Messages have begun to be shared as part of sustainability curriculum and in assemblies.	Our school building will benefit from a reduction in carbon emissions Our building will become more energy efficient over time.
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Key Priority 2: Waste and Recycling					
To reduce food waste and promote recycling  	Children recycle plastic from their school dinners into the correct recycling bin in the dinner hall. Children who are packed lunches take home their packaging to recycle within their own home. Food waste is separated from other waste and is collected by a waste collector service. We will procure waste collection services which will divert the maximum amount of waste from landfill. Eco Ambassadors will encourage recycling paper within the classroom.	Eco Ambassadors School Dinner Supervisors Classroom Teachers Eco Ambassadors Pupils	Dudley LA Waste Services SLT	Target successfully met A range of recycling bins have been purchased and recycling is promoted at Dingle Community.	Reduce the amount of waste generated in school over time. Children are taking accountability for their packaging and are understanding the importance of recycling and the impacts on the environment.

To recycle IT equipment 	All end of life ICT equipment will continue to be recycled in line with guidance, once all reuseable parts are utilised. Hardware to be refurbished and re-used where possible,	IT Lead Teaching Staff	Dudley LA Waste Services Network IT (Provider)	Network IT provide this service for Dingle.	Our school will increase our percentage of ICT equipment being recycled and re-used.
To consider sustainability and reusing school uniform/costumes for key curriculum days events 	Opportunities are provided throughout the year for parents to purchase/be given 'nearly new' uniform and school coats Options are also provided for children to borrow clothes for key curriculum days (nativity performances/World Book Day etc) Eco Ambassadors to investigate Rags to Riches scheme which promotes recycling of clothing in the local community.	Parents SLT Eco Ambassadors Eco Lead	Rags to Riches Recycling Scheme	Rags to Riches arranged for Autumn Term Regular promotion of recycling of uniforms/costumes through our social media pages. (These events are held at least termly) Recycled books by donating to project Gambia.	Parents are saving on costs of uniform and school is being more sustainable Children are taking accountability and are understanding the importance of recycling and the impacts on the environment.

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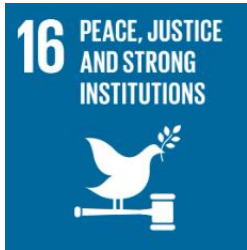
Key Priority 3: Biodiversity

To enhance our outdoor area with a focus on biodiversity   	Put up bird boxes and bird feeders around the school grounds. Look into the possibility of growing plants/vegetables To look at the possibility of water butts. Water can then be collected and used to water the plants and vegetation around school.	Eco Ambassadors Pupils Eco Schools Lead Site Manager Business Manager SLT	Eco Schools	Water Butts have been purchased. Plants and vegetables being grown by EYFS and as part of Forest School. Bird Feeders made by pupils. Year 3 Bee project/wildlife focus.	Outdoor area becomes more environmentally friendly Pupils are encouraged to recycle water usage outside of our immediate school building.
To monitor our water usage	Promote healthy habits of water use within the classroom. Promote re-useable water bottles. Invite Severn Trent in to deliver assemblies about water usage at home and in school Eco Ambassadors to share ways we can reduce our water use.	Pupils Eco Ambassadors Teachers SLT	Severn Trent Assemblies	Severn Trent visited and delivered an assembly to the whole school and a workshop to Year 5. Reuseable bottles purchased for whole school.	Decrease our water usage in the building Children become more responsible for their role in saving water.

To focus on biodiversity and the impact humans can have on deforestation 	Eco Ambassadors to arrange an enrichment day for Earth Day. Whole School focus on Biodiversity and the difference that can be made through planting trees Raise funds for Just One Tree	Eco Ambassadors Pupils Eco Schools Lead Teachers Business Manager Parents SLT	Eco Schools Just One Tree Charity	Planned for April 2027 as part of Earth Day	Children are aware of biodiversity and the effect that their actions can have in our local community and around the world.
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Key Priority 4: Embedding good environmental behaviours

To enhance children's understanding of sustainability throughout the curriculum  	Continue to evolve and adapt the geography curriculum to include focused work on sustainability To monitor the implementation and the impact of White Rose Science Sustainability Units To continue to reference the Global Sustainability Goals in all curriculum subjects. Ensure that they continue to be linked to RRS. To ensure our canon of books have books about sustainability and caring for our planet for all aged children To promote external visitors to talk about their environmental work Involve the wider community through newsletters, litter picks and enrichment days..	Eco Ambassadors Pupils Eco Schools Lead Curriculum Lead SLT Parents	Eco Schools David Hamlin (Waste Minimisation and Recycling Officer Dudley Council)	Geography Curriculum has been updated for a Sept 26 launch. Sustainability is included as part of the Science curriculum. David Hamlin visited UKS2 pupils to talk about his work. RRS being launched Sept 26.	Children will have a progressive understanding of sustainability and how it can affect us and our world. Children will be inspired and will have further knowledge of careers linked with sustainability.
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