October Eco Newsletter

Re-cycling

In September, re-cycling bins were delivered, to school, for every classroom, so now we will be re-cycling paper, card, cans and plastics. Each class will have their own re-cycling monitors.

Five Benefits of Recycling

- Recycling reduces waste sent to landfills and incinerators.
- Recycling prevents pollution.
- Recycling conserves natural resources.
- Recycling conserves energy.
- Recycling creates jobs, producing economic benefits.

Get Loud on Litter

This month I would like you to think about litter and make an effort to put all of your litter in the bin.

At school, we are introducing litter monitors, who will be doing litter picks around school and the local community,

10 FILTHY FACTS

1. More than TWO MILLION PIECES of litter are dropped in the UK every day. This means 23 ITEMS OF RUBBISH are being dropped on our streets every second!
2. 30 MILLION TONNES of litter are collected from our streets every year – enough to fill FOUR WEMBLEY STADIUMS.
3. Street cleaning costs the UK up to £1 BILLION A YEAR! Removing each piece of chewing gum from a street can cost up to FIFTY TIMES the amount it cost to buy the chewing gum in the first place!
4. 62% of people in England drop litter, but only 28% of people will admit to it!
5. Dropping Litter is ILLEGAL, people who drop litter can be given a fixed penalty notice!
6. On average the RSPCA receive 10 CALLS A DAY (OR 3,650 A YEAR) about animals harmed by litter, and this doesn't include the wild animals affected by litter that are never found.
7. 10 MILLION TONNES of litter ends up in the world's oceans and seas every year and an estimated 80% OF THIS COMES FROM LAND.
8. The five MOST COMMON types of LITTER are: Cigarette butts - Chocolate and sweet wrappers - Plastic bottles and cans - Fast food packaging - Alcoholic drinks
9. More than 4.5 TRILLION CIGARETTE BUTTS are dropped around the world each year!
10. LITTER ATTRACTS MORE LITTER – if a street already has litter many people don't see the harm in adding a little bit more!

PASS ON your knowledge. Challenge yourself to TELL 3 PEOPLE about some of the facts you've learnt.