January Eco Newsletter

Education Nature Park

This January, we joined the Education Nature Park. This works by following five steps.

As part of this, our school postcode allows us to apply for a £10,000 grant to improve biodiversity, in our school grounds.

What is biodiversity?

Biodiversity is the name we give to **the variety of all life on Earth.**

Bacteria to baboons, plants to people – the range of life on our planet is incredible.

Humans rely on biodiversity to survive. We are intertwined in a big natural system, and each element supports and enables all of us to thrive. Our future rests on a biodiverse Earth, so we can no longer take it for granted. We are now in an era when **humans have a huge impact on the planet's natural systems**. Biodiversity loss is just as catastrophic as climate change, but the solutions are linked. Stopping further damage to the planet requires big change, but **we can do it if we act now, together.**

What can we do?

Five top tips for protecting biodiversity:

- Hang bird feeders and build bug hotels.
- Increasing the amount of pollinators and flowers.
- Plant trees, shrubs and hedges.
- Add a compost heap/bin. .
- Install a pond