



Eco Team Environmental Review

St. Chad's RC Primary School

January 2022

Green Flag Eco School Award



**Green Flag
Award**



Eco Team Year 2



Eco Team Year 3



Eco Team Year 4



Eco Team Year 5



Eco Team Year 6



Ten Eco-Schools topics to choose from.

Pick three topics for your first Green Flag.

Pick five topics each time you renew your Green Flag.

**Your School. Your Choice.
Your Action.**

MARINE



BIODIVERSITY



ENERGY



LITTER



WASTE



TRANSPORT



WATER



SCHOOL GROUNDS



HEALTHY LIVING



GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP



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Environmental Review

- The Eco Team met last week to look at a set of fact-finding questions linked to the 10 Eco-Schools topics that have been designed to help the Eco-Team understand what environmental work our school is already doing and what we need to action and improve.

Things we are doing well

We scored 43/58 on the review

The review showed that we are doing well in lots of areas. However, these were the areas we were doing well in:

- We have school pets
- We have plants around school
- We turn off lights when we are not using them
- We have solar panels on the roof
- We have started to recycle paper in our classrooms
- We discuss mental health and well-being issues
- We know lots about climate change and how we can save the planet
- We celebrate different cultures and religions

Things we could do better

Biodiversity

- We need to record the wildlife that we see in our school grounds
- We need to encourage insect and animal life in the school grounds
(this is in the process with the gated garden in KS2 and will start February 2022)

Energy

- When it is safe, we will close the windows to save energy
- We need to explore energy saving programmes to take part in

Things we could do better

Healthy living

- We need to grow our own fruit and vegetables

(this is in the process with the land next door and will start spring 2022)

Litter

- We need to look after our school and community by participating in regular litter picking

Things we could do better

Marine

- We need to visit a beach, river, lake or aquarium to explore marine life and how we can help protect wildlife
- We can get involved in a river or beach clean up

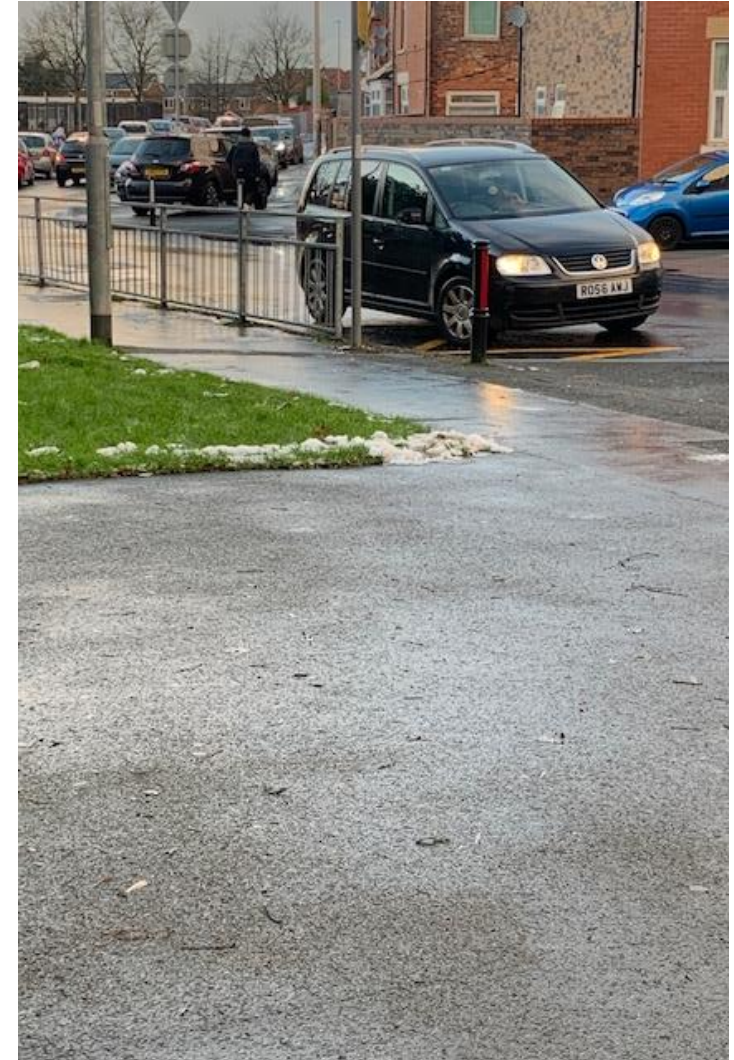
Transport

- We need to explore cycling proficiency lessons or balance bike lessons to encourage cycling
- We need to have a school travel plan
- We need to help make our roads safe



Making our roads safer – parking on the pavements

Making our roads safer
– parking on zig zag lines



I'll look into this for you. Can you tell me school start and finish times so as I can request NSL (parking enforcement) add St Chad's to their schedule? Also is it worse in the morning or afternoon, or should I ask for enforcement visits at both times?

With regards to signs, I've pasted a link below to the 'child friendly cut out signs.' I arranged a number of these signs for Cheetwood Community Primary School last year as they were having similar issues with parents parking, I'll have a look into whether we can get some more from our Development Budget and I'll come back to you.

[Child Friendly Cut-Out Pavement Signs - Signs 4 Schools \(schools signs-uk.co.uk\)](http://schools signs-uk.co.uk)

I'll also look into potentially installing more bollards (depending on costs), I'll check with Highways first and again I'll come back to you.

I've attached a junior PCSO toolkit which you may find useful for road safety activities with your children.

Kind regards
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Making our roads safer

Things we could do better

Waste

- We need to put food waste in a compost bin **(we have these and they will go in the garden)**
- We need to reduce paper waste and how much we use the photocopiers and printers in school



Things we could
do better

Water

- We need to collect rain water and use this water to water our plants and flowers





Design a sign competition

- In the Key Stage 2 playground, we have a gated garden and we have plans to put in a:
- Pond
- Bug hotels
- Hedgerows
- Ash trees



This will encourage biodiversity and will create homes for many insects and animals

Design a sign Competition in Key Stage 2:

We have a garden that we are developing in the Key Stage 2 playground. We want a colourful sign to tell people where the garden is.

When designing the sign it must have:

- The words – St. Chad's Garden
- Flowers and plants
- Animals you would find in the garden e.g. bees, spiders, frogs (we will have a pond) butterflies, ladybirds etc.
- Lots of colour

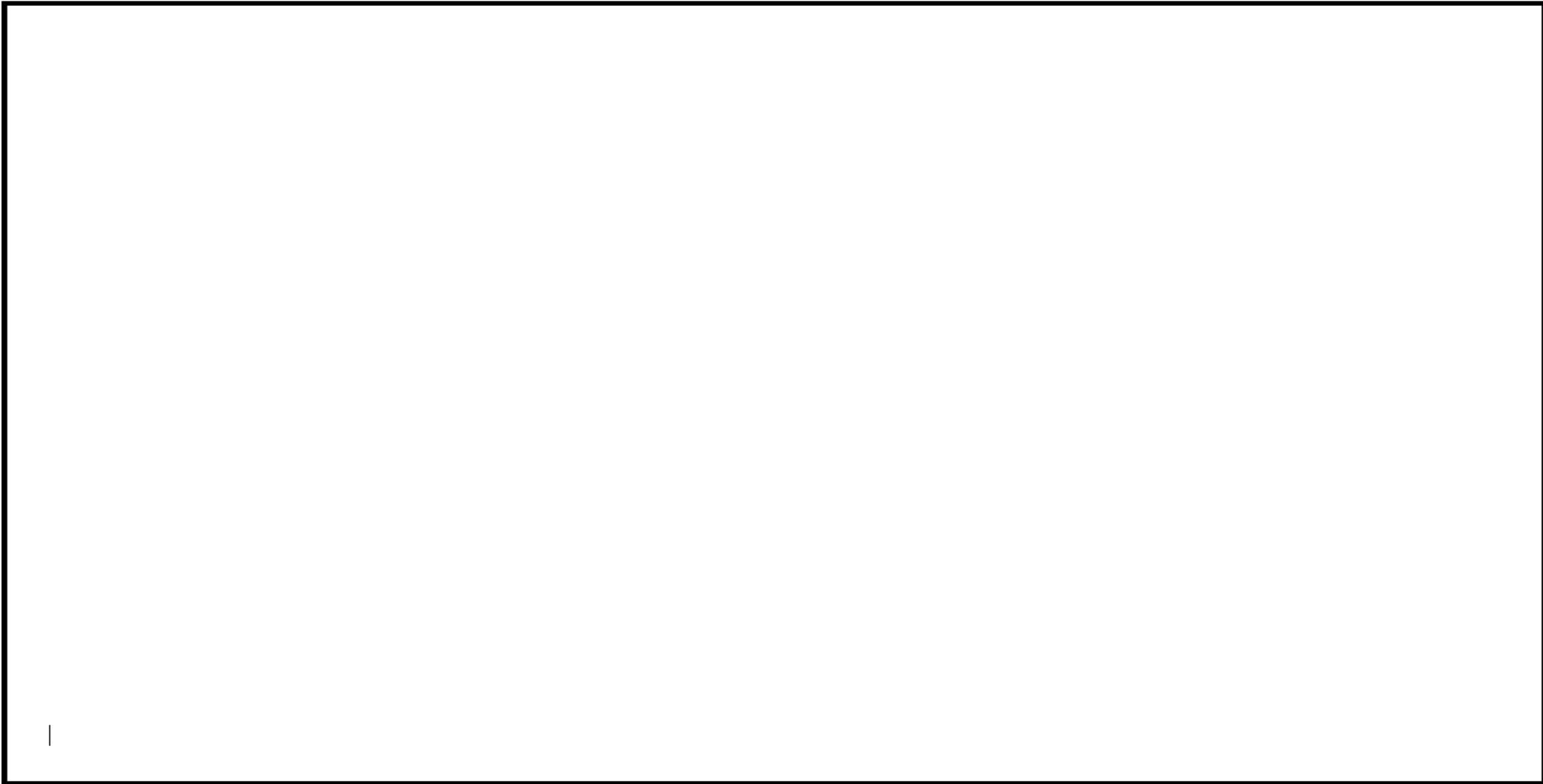


Example of a sign from a local school



The sign will be made and go on the gate in KS2





Design a sign Competition:

Name: _____

Year Group: _____