

Christmas Card Recycling Competition



Did you know an estimated one billion Christmas cards are purchased in the UK each year? Or that seven million Christmas trees are bought each festive season? Such huge numbers mean it's important to think about how your Christmas cards and trees are produced and what you'll do with them once the celebrations are over.

Most cards are paper based and can be recycled, along with their envelopes, either in your home recycling collection, at local recycling points such as household waste recycling centres, or at banks in supermarket car parks.

In January the Eco-Warriors are running a competition in school to see which class can recycle the most Christmas Cards. Please place them in the box provided in your classroom by 16th January.

Eco-Warriors/ Eco-club will turn some of them into gift tags to sell at next year's Christmas Fair and the rest will be recycled.

There will be a prize for the class that collects the most cards.



Wildlife Area

Many thanks to Mr Foster and Mrs Foster, Mrs Prosser, Mr Wilson, Miss Timmington, Mrs Stevens and Mrs Fellows who worked incredibly hard to tidy the area earlier this term. The children have been enjoying Forest School activities in a wonderful nature rich environment. We look forward to observing birds during our bird watch in January.

Eco Club

Mrs Price will be running an Eco club in the spring term. Activities will include poster competitions, litter picks, bird watching and Forest school activities. Letters will be given out in the New Year.

T4T's Digging area

Many thanks to Julie Stevens who has donated top soil to enable us to create a new digging area in the T4T's garden. The children are enjoying their new garden!

Keep Amblecote Tidy



Why is Litter so Bad?

Apart from looking awful and spoiling our school grounds, streets, beaches and countryside, litter can cause great damage to wildlife and the environment. For instance, rubbish thrown into rivers and streams can kill swans and ducks and pollute the water for fish and other animals.

Did you Know?

- New Laws mean litter bugs can be fined at least £75 for dropping anything in the street, including chewing gum.
- It's thought that seven out of 10 pieces of litter on our streets is food-related.
- Rat, fox, pigeon and gull populations are all getting bigger because of fast-food waste.

Please Don't Litter- use the bins provided!

Plastic Waste

Eco Warriors are busy planning an Eco day of action in the spring term, to tackle the war against plastic. The whole school will look at the impact rubbish has on sea creatures and the environment and take part in a variety of activities. We'll also look at how we can use less plastic in school.

You can help by:

- Buying a refillable water bottle (a great stocking filler)
- Buying a reusable coffee cup
- Saying no to plastic straws