



GREEN NEWS

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First Edition

Introducing The Harmony Trust BIG GREEN NEWS TEAM



Westwood Green News Team



Northmoor Green News Team



Ash Croft Green News Team



Cavendish Green News Team

Green News

What's it all about?

Schools across The Harmony Trust have joined Katherine Wheatley, author of eco-friendly children's books, to create their very own Green Newspaper with the aim to learn more about green issues and spread the word on how we can all work together to look after our planet.

*'I am delighted to be working with you all to create and develop this paper which places Education for Sustainability at the top of its agenda'
'Let's make a difference together!'*

So far the Green News Teams have met five times and are excited to be launching their first edition of the GREEN NEWS, which they hope everyone enjoys and learns something new from.

GET GREEN WITH THE GREEN NEWS

Monthly GREEN challenges will encourage everyone to get involved so please share your green tips and achievements with us and you could feature in the next edition of GREEN NEWS! If you would like to get involved, or have any good ideas that you would like to share, then get in touch with your school GREEN TEAM NOW!

CAVENDISH GREEN NEWS TEAM

Earth is the most valuable thing so it is important to bring our schools together and be aware of current issues to do with the environment. Green News will be brilliant for this. We want to get involved and work as a team to help as much as possible.

WINNING LOGO!

What a difficult decision Mr Hughes and Miss Hainsworth had when asked to choose our logo from all the wonderful entries!

*'Your logo expresses brilliantly that if we **all** take action to improve the environment then we can meet the challenges posed by climate change.'*



Well done to MANTAJ!
(Y6 Ash Croft)

A MESSAGE FROM MR HUGHES

"Nature never did betray the heart that loved her"
Poet William Wordsworth writing about how Nature and the environment repays our care and respect by enabling us to live more fulfilling, inspiring lives.

I am so excited about this first edition of the Green News - it shows just how passionate our children and staff are about protecting the environment to safeguard all the benefits that the natural world brings for communities and future generations.



Northmoor Green News Team

ANIMAL SPOTLIGHT!

BADGERS

The badger is one of the UK's most recognised mammals and is a symbol of the British countryside but unfortunately, they are in danger of becoming extinct.

Badgers are wonderful animals who live in the countryside and underground in setts.

Some people think badgers are pests as they can cause damage and disease, but we LOVE them!

PROTECT OUR BADGERS!

Who's on the RED LIST?

Did you know that some badgers are on the RED LIST and some badgers are extinct?

Did you know the cause of this is due to climate change and attitudes towards badgers?

Did you know there is a National Badger Day each year on the 6th October to raise awareness?

HOW CAN WE HELP?

Raise awareness and money to get badgers vaccinated. This means that badger culling can be stopped!

(Culling means killing to reduce the population.)

Leave food out for badgers such as, vegetables and fruit.

Build setts in the countryside and protect any areas where badgers live to keep their habitats safe.



Vital Statistics

The estimated total number of badgers in the UK is around 400 000, but that number could be halved by 2026!

The UK has a quarter of the global population of the species.

Sadly, between 45 000 and 50 000 badgers are killed on Britain's roads every year!



Why not celebrate badgers with your own piece of artwork and we will feature this in the next Green News Edition.

Westwood Green News Team Investigate **GREEN** Jobs

**The latest news
on jobs for the future**

**Would you like to be an
Environmental Engineer
when you grow up?**

We look at climate change and how that might affect our quality of living.



Environmental Engineers work to improve waste disposal, air and water pollution and public health.



Three facts you might not know about Environmental Engineers

- 1.They provide sanitation systems that prevent disease and promote health.
- 2.Their projects include dam systems and reusing building waste in construction.
- 3.Environmental Engineers are responsible for the invention of hybrid vehicles.

Salary: Between £18K and £45K

We feel it is a very important role linked to the effects of climate change on our environment.

Would you like to be an Environmental Engineer when you are older? If so, let the Green Team know and we will print some of your comments in the next edition.

TOP TIPS brought to you by Cavendish Green News Team

Top Tips to Save the Earth
Reuse, Reduce and Recycle as much as you can!

Do you have a plastic bottle that is no longer needed?
Use it in an art project!

How about making:

- Plastic water bottle flowers
- Bottle penguins
- Milk bottle fairy houses
- Spinning tops from bottle tops
- Bottle skittles

We'd love to see what you do with your plastic bottles – send us a picture and we will feature it in our next edition.

SAY NO TO SINGLE-USE PLASTIC!



Tip of the Month

Have a spare plastic takeaway box?

Don't throw it away and contribute to the plastic crisis!

Recycle it and bring snacks or your packed lunch in it!

Garden Challenge

Why not try growing your own vegetables?

Carrots and courgette seeds are good ones to start off with and seeds can be sewn in indoor pots to start off with. Seed packs can cost as little as 50p!

Here's a useful website to get you started:

<https://www.kidsdogardenin.com/how-to-grow-carrots/>

Year 3 and 4 have enjoyed planting seeds for summer flowers in our school.



This Month's **GREEN** Champions

WE NEED YOU!

LET YOUR GREEN TEAM KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO FEATURE IN OUR NEXT EDITION FOR DOING SOMETHING GREEN.

Teachers, pupils or families – we would like to report on any green changes in our community so please share!

We look forward to hearing from you and your eco-friendly tips.

Classroom Challenge

Have you ever wondered how much paper is used for worksheets?

Once you've finished with them, don't dispose of them - **RETHINK** and **REUSE**.

How creative can you be with your classroom scrap paper?

SHARE YOUR CREATIVITY WITH THE GREEN TEAM TO FEATURE IN OUR NEXT EDITION



