



## Sustainability Action Plan for Reception 2025-2026



<b>Intention:</b> <i>What do we want to achieve?</i>	<b>Responsibility:</b> <i>Who will make sure that we do it?</i>	<b>Date:</b> <i>When will it be done?</i>	<b>Key Actions</b> <i>What will we do?</i>	<b>Expected Impact:</b> <i>What will it look like when we achieve what we want to?</i>	<b>Resources:</b> <i>How much money/time/people do we need?</i>	<b>Monitoring:</b> <i>Who will check on progress?</i>
To appoint a sustainability lead	JW	December 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend training</li> <li>Develop an action plan</li> <li>Update Curriculum Docs and documentation for new parents</li> <li>Update resources; books and solar panelled toys</li> <li>Develop a school wide action plan regarding sustainability; uniform, Christmas Jumpers, Toys, composting and recycling</li> <li>See below for relevant Curriculum updates and plans</li> </ul>	The children and community will begin to develop sustainable practices	Management Time and opportunity for meeting the wider school community	CM Governors
To introduce children to basic environmental concepts, fostering an understanding of the	JW	Sept 2025	Plan curriculum opportunities to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use age-appropriate books, stories, and animations that emphasize nature, animals, and the environment.</li> </ul>	Children will have an awareness of the world around them and understand some basic things they can do to look	Management Time  Money to purchase relevant books	CM



natural world and their role in protecting it.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the schools outdoor area and Wild Wood to observe the environment, plant life, and animals. Discuss what needs to be done to protect them.</li> <li>• Use games, and songs to teach children about the earth, water, air, and the importance of taking care of their surroundings.</li> <li>• Sign up to the free resources from WWF</li> </ul>	after it and the animals and plants within it.		
To encourage children to understand the importance of conserving resources and using energy wisely.	JW	Sept 2025	Plan curriculum opportunities to : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teach children the habit of turning off lights and electronics when not in use</li> <li>• Implement activities like water-saving games or setting up a water-saving challenge (e.g., closing the tap while brushing teeth)</li> <li>• Incorporate simple activities like making a sun clock or explaining how solar panels work in an age-appropriate way; visit Daisies nursery to see the solar panel, talk about the lights going off in the toilets in school, investing in some solar powered outdoor toys or equipment</li> </ul>	Children will have an awareness of the importance of conserving resources and using energy wisely.	Management Time Expense of buying solar powered toys	CM
To teach children about waste, recycling, and the importance of reducing, reusing, and recycling materials.	JW	Sept 2025	Plan curriculum opportunities to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set up recycling bins in the classroom and encourage children to sort waste.</li> </ul>	Children will have an awareness of the importance of reducing waste	Management Time	CM



			<p>Teach them about the materials that can be recycled and those that can't.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduce arts and crafts activities using recycled materials, such as old boxes, paper, plastic bottles, and fabric.</li> </ul>			
To teach children how plants grow and contribute to a healthy planet.	JW/ Volunteer	Sept 2025	<p>Plan opportunities to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set up a small vegetable or flower garden within the school or community space. Encourage children to plant seeds, water them, and observe the growth process.</li> <li>• Introduce children to composting by setting up a small compost bin and explaining how food scraps can turn into rich soil for gardens.</li> </ul>	Children will begin to understand the importance of plants and trees to our planet.	Time allocated in the week to visit the garden and engage in composting etc	CM
To teach children about the importance of reducing emissions by choosing sustainable modes of transportation.	JW 2025	Sept 2025	<p>Plan curriculum opportunities to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use stories or role-playing activities to explain different modes of transportation and how some are better for the environment than others (walking, biking, buses, etc.).</li> <li>• Teach children how vehicles like electric cars or buses are helping to reduce pollution.</li> </ul>	The children will begin to understand the importance of making sustainable transport choices.	Management Time	CM



Foster awareness of climate change and empower children to understand how their actions can contribute to a positive environmental impact.	JW	Sept 2025	<p>Plan curriculum opportunities to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss how the environment is changing (e.g., changing weather patterns, endangered species) and why it is important to protect the earth</li> <li>• Introduce children to environmental advocates and leaders, both local and global, such as Greta Thunberg, and discuss their efforts in a simple, relatable way.</li> <li>• Encourage children to take a pledge for the planet. They can commit to specific actions like reducing plastic waste or planting a tree.</li> </ul>	Children will begin to be aware that their actions impact the environment	Management Time	CM
Strengthen climate action by involving families and local communities in sustainability practices.	JW	Sept 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include the idea of sustainability in Welcome Pack for new families to the school</li> </ul> <p>Plan whole school opportunities to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recycle uniform, Christmas Jumpers and dress up costumes</li> <li>• Engage children and their families in local community clean-up activities (Make Do and Mend Days, Recycling Toys)</li> </ul>	Children will begin to be aware of how their actions impact the planet	<p>JW to attend a STARS meeting</p> <p>Management Time</p>	CM



Regularly monitor progress and reflect on actions taken to ensure continuous improvement in the Summer Term- link to the topic 'Our Wonderful World'	JW	Sept 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>At the end of each week, hold a discussion or circle time where children can talk about the actions they took to help the environment and how they felt.</li></ul>	Children will begin to reflect on their behaviour and how it impacts the classroom environment	Timetabling opportunity at the end of each week	CM
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