



## Eco-committee

*'Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much...'*

### Mansel Park Primary & Nursery School

#### Eco Committee

**Date:** Wednesday 8th March 2023 **Time:** 08:40-09:00 **Venue:** School Garden

- This week, our eco committee went outside into our garden to line our planters with cardboard ready for our soil delivery this week! We are using a 'no dig' bed in our gardens this year. We have found out that they help sustain crops for longer. We can't wait to see what happens
- We also filled our bug hotel ready to enhance biodiversity in our school.
- A group of year 6 children have been busy making butterfly feeders for our garden, using old plates and bottle lids, as well as using papier-mache to create a scarecrow head to keep birds away from the crops and redirect them to our bird feeders!
- Our entire team from teachers, children, support staff, nursery staff and even our kitchen team from City Catering have begun mind mapping ideas for 'The Big Help out'. We aim for our Big Help Out to be a life-long mission here at Mansel Park linked to our Sanctuary work and championed through everyone's voice alongside our school council. We are passionate about ensuring our Big Help Out has strengthened links to protecting our planet and enhancing outdoor experience in school, with families and within our local community for all children as part of our legacy. You can find out more about it here: <https://thebighelpout.org.uk/>
- We have heard that our local councillors are looking to organise a community litter pick! Miss Calton & Mrs Terry will be finding out more after discussing with Councillor Sally Goodfellow and Councillor McEwing to hear about their plans.

Agreed Actions from the meeting:

- To begin to make recycled bottle wall with children
- To collect empty recyclable pots from home (these can be yogurt pots, egg boxes etc) so that we will begin propagating in school in the near future
- Next meeting, to discuss ideas for our Great Gardening Day on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June

Next meeting scheduled for: Wednesday 22nd March 2023 : Venue: 6HT : Time: 8:40am-9am

