

Bird-seed cakes

At the start of the year, the Swallows' children in charge of Bio-diversity made bird-seed cakes with Key stage one children, as a play-time activity. This was a huge success and a lot of children joined in. The children really enjoyed making the bird feeders (especially Reception.)

We made them because it was great fun for the children and also it helps feed the birds and their young.

Lillie (Bio-diversity team)

Eco school litter pick

On the first Tuesday of every month we do a litter pick. We started off with nearly a full bag of litter and each month we get less and less. When we do a litter pick we put a poster up in assembly to tell the children we are doing it that day. We are going to give out stickers to all the children who take part.

From the litter team (Cadence, Tehya and Rosie)

Recycle bird/insect houses or feeder

In Swallows we made recycled bird/insect feeders and houses. We made them out of bottles, wood, milk lids and much more. These were very successful as most of them worked; they were also good because it inspired children to use recycled items and to make new things. We learnt about animal habitats and how birds and insects like completely different things.

We decided to do this because lots of farmers are cutting down and destroying the birds homes: so we are saving them from being extinct.

Sponsored Starvation

The children in charge of Global Citizenship organised a day where KS2 would go without; breakfast, snacks at break or lunch. They did this because the children discussed about children in East Africa who are starving due to a famine and wanted to feel what starvation felt like. Some of the children found it a struggle but managed to make it through the day!

The children were sponsored by their parents, but anyone who wasn't allowed or didn't want to do it, would ask their parents to donate money.

It was very successful and the children raised £174!

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Clothes swap

On the 9th of November the Waste Rangers put together a clothes swap for Key Stage 2. Children brought in good-quality clothing that they no longer wanted. They were arranged into age groups and everybody took items they would like. (Everyone found what they were looking for!) We all had great fun. It worked so well we decided to do another one for Key Stage 1 but that one wasn't as successful. The left-over clothing went into our recycling bank.

Rose

Eco school healthy living

This term Ellingham Primary school, the healthy living group (Elsa, Lauren and Bradley) have been organising and taking part in Veggie Tub Tuesday and Fruit Kebab Friday. At our School the children are encouraged to not only to eat healthily, but also to take part in activities to improve their fitness. Every term we either hold Veggie Tub Tuesday or Fruit Kebab Friday, which is when we persuade children to bring either a piece of fruit or vegetable and ask parents/guardians to help us prepare them and we serve them at break time. The children really enjoy the activities we hold. This helps the children understand that eating healthy is beneficial to their well-being, which promotes healthy eating.

Water Aid

From watching the news, we became aware of children and adults who don't have clean drinking water, due to parasites and animal waste in their water.

We wanted to help raise money for Water Aid, so we gave every child a water bottle to take home to fill with pennies. The children returned their bottles, and the count-up began! We managed to raise an amazing total of £330.

The money was donated to Water Aid to help families in third world countries, who are not lucky enough to have fresh clean water to drink.

After we had given the donations to Water Aid, we received a thank you letter, which explained how our money would transform people's lives. Soon we will be getting a visit from the Water Aid helpers.