

Eco-Schools: a route towards becoming a sustainable school

The Eco-Schools framework provides a clear framework for the active participation and leadership of children/young people and helps your school reduce its ecological footprint.

Course Outline

We will explore how the Eco-Schools framework can provide a motivating context for the active participation of children and young people, and help your school reduce its ecological footprint.

Eco-Schools puts children and young people at the heart of decision making thereby helping schools to provide excellent real-world, enquiry-based learning opportunities for pupils. Schools that take an Eco-Schools route to school improvement often report significant savings (e.g. energy, water and waste collection) and improvements in pupils' confidence and communication skills. If we see our role in school as helping prepare children and young people for their future we must ensure that we give them opportunities to understand sustainable development and the skills they need to tackle future challenges.

We will envision what an Eco-School could look like, have a go at some activities that can be used with pupils to explore sustainability, evaluate the skills pupils require for a sustainable future, have a go at Holt Hall's Eco-Trail and guide participants through the most important aspects of the Eco-Schools Framework. We will use a variety of teaching approaches throughout the day (including some outdoors) and draw the day to a close after a thorough plenary session which includes some planning to enable action upon return to school.

By the end of the course participants will:-

- have an understanding of the Eco-Schools process
- share ideas about how your school could tread more lightly on the earth (and save money whilst developing skills)
- have examples of some related activities that are suitable for children and young people
- have a plan of 'where to go next' upon return to school.

Phase

Primary

Audience

Subject Leaders,
Class Teacher, NQT

Trainer

Nell Seal

Date

18/10/2016

Time

9:30 am – 4:00 pm

Venue

Holt Hall Environmental &
Outdoor Learning Centre

Cost

£165 per delegate

Course Ref

TLS-1016-T004

This course will be based outside at Holt Hall for large parts of the day so delegates need to bring walking boots or sturdy shoes/trainers that you don't mind getting muddy, indoor shoes, warm layers, long trousers, waterproof coat and trousers, hat and gloves.



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