





EARLY YEARS





Completed by (name and year group):

Date:







ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Well done, you have reached Step 2 of your Green Flag application. Your pupils and staff should all be proud of yourselves!

By now you should know what Eco-Schools is and the ten topics Eco-Schools focus on. You should also have elected an Eco-Committee (that has at least one child from each year group in it) and begun your Eco-Board.

Step 2 is an Environmental Review to identify the good things that your school is already doing for the environment. It will also help you to find things your school could work on to improve. We recommend you use your Environmental Review to decide on three topics (five for a Green Flag renewal) you want to target in Step 3 (your Action Plan), but it is up to your Eco-Committee which topics you choose.

The Environmental Review can be completed by either different classes or your Eco-Committee. There are three questions to answer for each topic with a final box to record your score in each topic. At the end of the review, you can give yourself a score out of 30 by awarding one point for every time you have ticked yes. When you have worked on your Action Plan, you can answer the same questions again in the Monitoring and Evaluation stage (Step 6) and think about all the amazing things you have achieved on your Eco-School journey!

The Environmental Review has only three rules:

- The questions have to be answered by children (they can ask a teacher for help if they need it)
- 2. You must answer every question
- 3. You must tell everyone about what you have discovered during your Environmental Review

Good luck and have fun, you are amazing!

Please note:

The Environmental Review has been designed by teachers, to be completed by children. In no circumstances is it necessary for a school to pay for additional third-party support during any stage of a Green Flag application. If you do require support, please contact the Eco-Schools team and we will be happy to help.

When you have finished your environmental review you will need to display a copy on your Eco-Board. You will also be asked to submit a copy as evidence towards your Green Flag award.









Biodiversity Does your school feed and house animals and insects?	No	Yes
Have you seen any animals or insects in the playground?		
Do you have a natural area to play and learn in?		
	Score	
Energy		
Are lights switched off when you leave the classroom?	No	Yes
Are computer monitors turned off when you leave the classroom?		
Are windows closed when the heating or air conditioning is on?		
	Score	









Global Citizenship	No	Yes
Do you learn about other countries in school?		
Can anyone in your class say, 'Hello,' in another language?		
Have you ever had food from another country in school?		
	Score	

Healthy Living	No '	Yes
Do you run, jump or dance everyday?		
Does your school grow it's own fruit and vegetables?		
Do you eat fruit and vegetables everyday in school?		
	Score	









Litter	No Yes
Is your playground clean and tidy?	
Do you know where the bins are in your classroom and playground?	
Have you ever done a litter pick?	
	Score

Marine	No	Yes
Does your school sponsor any endangered marine animals?		
Does your school ban straws and balloons?		
Have you ever been to a beach, river, lake or aquarium with school?		
	Score	









School Grounds De you play outside everyday (even when it	No Yes
Do you play outside everyday (even when it is a bit cold or wet)?	
Do you grow plants and flowers in school?	
Do you go outside to learn?	
	Score

Transport	No Yes
Does your school have a safe, dry place for your bike or scooter?	
Do most of your class walk, cycle or scoot to school?	
Do you have yellow zigzags, a lollipop person, a zebra crossing or traffic lights outside school?	
	Score











	Waste Does your classroom have a recycling bin? Does your school have a compost bin?	No Yes
	Do your toilets have hand driers?	Score
H	Water	No Yes
	Do your taps turn off by themselves?	
	Does your school collect rainwater?	
	Do you have water fountains in class?	
		Score
		Total







Things we are doing well:
Things we could be doing better:
Topics we want to work on during our Action Plan:

Congratulations, you have completed your Environmental Review! The next step is your Action Plan. Don't forget to let your whole school know what you have found out.

