



Spalding Parish Church of England Day School

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Dear Parent / Carer

Active Travel and Reduced Packaging

As a school, we are currently working towards the Eco-Schools Green Flag accreditation which is the perfect way to acknowledge, reward and celebrate the ecological achievements of young people. It clearly demonstrates that their hard work is appreciated, and it provides them with the confidence and motivation needed to continue actively engaging with environmental issues throughout their lifetimes. Finally, it will also tell the local community that Spalding Parish Church of England Day School is forward-thinking and promotes youth-led environmental education and action.

The Eco-Committee and School Council are working hard on two projects that they hope to use towards the Eco-Schools Green Flag accreditation and are writing to ask for your support.





Project 1 - Active Travel

A generation ago, 70% of primary school children walked to school, now it's less than half!

Promoting sustainable transport within an Eco-School is a great way to cut carbon and protect our planet and Active Travel helps children to stay healthy, arrive at school more alert and reduces traffic congestion around the school gates.

During our School Sports Week (Monday 16th June – Friday 20th June) we are promoting Active Travel and walking, cycling or scooting to school whenever possible. The School Council have come up with the following ideas that you may be able to support them with:-

a) Rather than coming to school in the car, could you:-

-  Walk
-  Cycle
-  Scooter



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b) If you have to come to school in the car, could you:-

-  Drop and walk (drop / park further away from school and walk in)
-  Car share

Yellow Zigzags

Please remember that if you do need to drop off near school that the yellow zigzag lines outside our school are there to keep children safe. Parking on these lines is not allowed, even for a short time. Let's work together to keep the area clear and to ensure all children can arrive and leave school safely.




During Sports Week, the School Council Representatives for each class will be keeping an eye on and recording how everyone has arrived at school each day. Once they have collated the results. they will then be presenting certificates to those who have made the biggest effort to use sustainable transport.



Project 2 - Reduced Packaging

The second project is to encourage families to reduce single-use packaging in packed lunches.

It is appreciated that time is precious and that evenings and mornings (when you may be preparing packed lunches) are busy, however, the School Council and the Eco-Committee would like to ask you to think about, and if possible swap, to using one the following items instead of single-use packaging:-

-  Reusable containers
-  Reusable water bottles
-  Wrapping alternatives eg. beeswax wrap

Small changes can make a big difference to our environment.

We appreciate your support in helping us create a healthier, safer and more sustainable school environment. If you have any questions or ideas, please do not hesitate to get in contact with Diane Mulley, Emily Hill or Emma Weatherhill, who will then liaise with the School Council and Eco-Committee.

Thank you for being part of the change!

Kind regard

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