

JOA/TCC

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Dear Parent/Carer and Students

## **Eco-committees Green Day**

Heckmondwike Grammar School is, proudly, an eco-school, having earned the accolade last academic year. Every week, the eco-committee meet and discuss school wide environmental concerns, as well as complete activities to improve the sustainability of our school.

On Tuesday 19 March, the committee will be running Green Day to raise money for environmental charities and the school, and to spread awareness of some of the environmental issues occurring on a range of scales. The committee have planned some events to achieve this, including:

- Compliment your uniform by wearing something green or a green accessory to school
  a £1 voluntary donation is welcomed, this is available to pay on ParentPay.
- Documentary screening Powell, lunch time,
- Environmental awareness presentation Swann Hall, lunch time.
- Eco-friendly sweet sale middle and Swann Hall at break and lunch time please bring small change in such as 10p, 20p, 50p or £1.
- Guess the sweets in the jar Swann Hall break and lunch time 20p per guess.
- · Wildflower seed planting MUGA at break time.

The proceeds of the fundraising will be split evenly between:

- The Rainforest Alliance promoting sustainable logging and campaigning for more climate change action.
- Reforest Britain promoting UK tree and woodland conservation and creation.
- Slow the Flow educating people on natural flood prevention in the Calderdale valley.
- The Eco-committee supporting environmental work at Heckmondwike Grammar School and in the local community.

I would also like to take this opportunity to inform you of world earth hour 2024, on Saturday 23 March from 20:30-21:30 local time. It would be great if you as an individual or family could turn off your electricity for this hour. Last year over 410,000 hours were given to our

planet by supporters in over 190 countries and territories, and this year they are hoping for even more!

We would love to see as many of the school community as possible wearing something green with their uniform and participating in our other activities, to raise money for this important cause. Additionally, the eco-committee is open to all, so please do come along to our meetings in A105 – currently on a Tuesday lunch time.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch should you have any questions about the events that are running, or the charities we are supporting.

Yours faithfully,

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