



HECKMONDWIKE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Green Week

In an ever-changing world where deforestation is rife, industrialisation is more rapid than ever, and natural resources are quickly running out, it is imperative students are provided the opportunity to reflect on the importance of sustainability. It is for this reason we are running Green Week during the last week of this half term: Monday 31 March – Friday 4 April.

Our Green Week will focus on raising awareness of the major environmental issues facing society, as well as provide opportunity to make a positive difference to the local environment. We aim to educate and empower students to make sustainable choices as individuals, and to spread their knowledge and passion with their families, friends and local communities, in turn helping to promote a culture of sustainability within and beyond the school.

Throughout the week, all personal development time will be themed around sustainability. Form tutors will deliver a range of informative and discursive sessions on various elements of sustainability. This will provide our students with the knowledge and passion to make a positive difference to the future of this world.

In addition, on the Wednesday (2nd April), the school will be celebrating 'Green Day', the highlight of the week. This is a non-uniform day where students can come in clothes of their choice, on the condition there is a visible item of green clothing on display, and they donate £1 to support sustainability initiatives around the school. This will be payable via ParentPay or cash donations will be accepted on the day. Should your child not have an item of green clothing, we would encourage them to sustainably source something from a local charity shop, online second-hand stores such as vinted, or ask to borrow something from a friend or family member.

Beyond non-uniform, various events will run on Green Day. These include:

- Heckmondwike wide litter pick – period 1 and 2
- Keep Britain tidy guest speaker – lunch time

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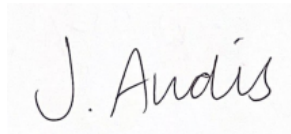
- Y7-10 form group tree planting – period 4 and 5
- HGS Earth hour – period 5

Students should listen out for information from their form tutor, as well as keep an eye on teams and class charts announcements, for the chance to take part in these sustainable activities.

Whilst the school is using this week to raise awareness of the importance of sustainability, we have a moral responsibility to consider sustainability in all that we do. We are working tirelessly as a community to reduce our carbon footprint and want to use this week to encourage our students and wider community to do the same. To this end, we warmly welcome any parent/carer who has knowledge or skill in this field to get in touch if you can provide any voluntary support to the school with decarbonisation, increasing biodiversity, or green careers. Please contact me on jaudis@heckgrammar.co.uk or 01924 402202 if you are able to provide any guidance or expertise.

I thank you in advance for your support of this crucial cause.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J. Audis". The signature is written in a cursive style and is centered within a light grey rectangular box.

Mr J Audis

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