## ECO COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING TUESDAY 6 MARCH 2018

Present:

Reception Dehryn Year 1 Corey

Year 2 Max & Shannon

Year 3

Year 4 Louis & Sienna Year 5 Filip & Lacey Year 6 Caerwyn & Kate

Staff present: Mrs Huntington, Mrs Kennedy & Kim Lague

Mrs Huntington welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that the children would be learning more about composting today.

The whole group moved up to the Wildlife Haven where Mrs H spoke to the children about the large compost bins and what they were for.

Mrs H asked the children what they thought might be in the bins. No one was quite sure but were very excited to find out.

Mrs H took the lid of the first bin to find it almost empty. There were another couple like this and then the next three contained lots of things including snails, leaves, spiders and worms as well as some old milk cartons and wrappers. Mrs K told us that worms were good for composting as they help break down and irrigate waste. Mrs H said the last three bins would definitely need cleaning! This is something the group may be able to help with later in the year.

We talked about returning the small green bins to the classrooms, especially to Reception, Year One and Year Two where they have free fruit every day.

Mrs H talked to children about things that can go into compost bins as well as items that shouldn't. Children were surprised to learn that not all fruit should be included. Apparently citrus fruit attract fruit flies that can affect the composting so should not be included.

At our next meeting we will design posters to inform everyone about good composting as well as advising them what should not be included.

Next meeting: Tuesday 20 March 2018.