

**TOMORROW'S
WORLD WILL BE
BUILT FROM
TODAYS TRASH**

Reduce, Recycle and Reuse!

Our Children of the Earth topic has got off to a brilliant start. The children have really embraced the idea of looking after our beautiful planet. To get inspired we have already had trips out to the local compost site, the Brighton Waste house and Sacred Earth in Horam. Alastair is launching an Eco committee with the children at this week's gathering and they will be working hard to see what we can do to earn our Green School award. The children in Oak Trees and Willows have joined together to work on a "reuse" project which has

involved using a sewing machine, hand sewing and lots of other skills. It has been great to see the children working on upcycling old jackets, jeans, socks and fabric into toys, pillows, puppets, blankets, clothes and lots more. Just look at the joy on the faces when they had finished!



Report on Willows Visit to the Brighton Waste House

On Friday we went to the Brighton Waste House. The house is made from 90% recycled waste and the students from Brighton University built it. We met Duncan (Duncan's daughter Molly used to go to Annan!) He helped make the house and he showed us around. It was really cool! The steps were made of paper. Each wall was made from a different waste material. There were walls made from toothbrushes, denim trouser legs, old cassettes, video boxes, DVDs and even floppy discs! We did not know what floppy discs were but Alastair was very excited! The students had made chairs from pianos, cardboard and even chewing gum! Most of the chairs we sat on were ones thrown away by a school only because they had a tiny bit of paint on! It was amazing to see how things can be reused. We all sat around a table made of old doors that the students had lessons around and the house lights came from a ship from South Korea. We learnt loads and had fun exploring.



Before School/Breakfast Club

It has been lovely to see some new faces at the breakfast club. We are open from 8am every morning. The club meets in the Dining Room of the Infant House where children have some breakfast followed by games. If you would like your child to join us please let Paula or Debby know. If you just want to drop off early at the last minute we would be pleased for your child to join us – just turn up. £5 per 8am-9am place.

Open to all ages.

We ask parents to bear in mind that now we have a breakfast club there is no longer anyone available to supervise outside from 8.30am so if you come in with your child early and you are not joining the breakfast club we ask that you remain in the playground with your child until 8.50am. Children are not allowed on the climbing frame before school unless their own parent is supervising.

Report from the Elders visit to the Veolia Composting Centre



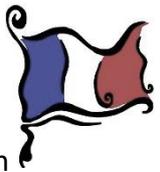
Elder Class visited the local woodlands composting site to see how kitchen and green garden waste is processed. We saw the different stages the waste goes through before it is recycled into high quality compost. Although we had been warned about the smell it certainly took us by surprise!

French Day

French Day last Friday was great fun. The Elders worked really hard during the morning making baguettes with Chryso and Debby. We then ate the baguettes in the hall under French bunting with French music playing – we even sat in long rows much like at a French street fair.

In the afternoon the Elder Class again set to putting the French Fair together. They made everything needed for the stalls, cut up Euro coins, arranged the Brocante and took on all the setting up tasks. The rain meant the fair was inside but actually that gave it a great atmosphere. The baguettes and the fair between them made around £270 which means we can pay for the aquarium visit, buy some souvenirs for the class and give every child going 10 Euros spending money.

In the evening, the Friends committee ran a lovely French evening. The Cassoulet was delicious, the wine was great and the Lotto was really good fun. The hall looked so nice with candles in wine bottles and chequered table cloths and table decorations. Thanks so much to the committee and their helpers. They were pleased that they also raised enough money to help those families who had requested a bursary.



A big thank you to everyone for helping and contributing so much!!



Week: 7th – 11th May

Monday
BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday
Lunch: Jacket Potato, beans, cheese & salad
Netball

Wednesday
Wealden District Council visitor presentation on recycling

Thursday
Kinderplay 1.30-3.00pm
After School Clubs 3.30-4.30pm

Friday Elders go to France

