# Sustainable Schools Dorset Directory 2018/19

# Ideas & support for sustainability work in school







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# Funding environmental projects

Suggestions for funding school grounds and environmental projects in Dorset

Within school funding Schools PTFA School Farmers Markets		Usually only small amounts of funding available or volunteer help with projects. A great way to engage with the community and raise funding for
	can-you-do/school-farmers-markets	gardening projects.
Enterprise projects and direct sales	Direct sales of plants, baking, via enterprise projects, can raise funding for ongoing expenses.	
Smaller Local Funds Town councillors or the mayor	Find your local councillor at <u>www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/councillors</u>	Each one has a pot of money for local projects.
Local companies.	Businesses may sponsor a project. Garden cen- tres & DIY stores might support with materials not cash.	
Rotary Club	Search for your local branch <u>www.rotary.org/er</u>	<u>n</u> Some branches will support local projects.
Lions Club	Search for your local branch www.lionsclubs.or	g Some branches will support local projects.
Round Table	Searth for your local branch	Some branches will support local projects.
Dorset Gardens Trust	www.roundtable.co.uk www.dorsetgardenstrust.co.uk/index.php/	Grants of up to £400 for new school gardening projects.

## **Corporate Funds and Charities**

Learning Through Landscapes School Nature Grants	www.ltl.org.uk/naturegrants	£500 of equipment plus free staff training
Supermarkets charitable funds	www.co-operative.coop/communityfund	See their website for criteria
Naturesave Trust	www.naturesave.co.uk/the-naturesave-trust/ funding-guidelines/	Insurance company giving grants (£200-£1500) to environ- mental projects.
Greggs Foundation Environmental Grant	www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/environmental-grant	More likely to fund applications near Greggs stores. Max £2,000.
Tesco Bags of Help	www.groundwork.org.uk/Sit es/ tescocommunityscheme/ pages/Category/apply-for -a-boh-grant-tes2	A rolling grant scheme using the 5p bag charge. Supports physical environmental improvements .
Wessex Watermark Award	www.wessexwater.co.uk/watermark/	Grants of up to £1500 for environmental projects in the

Wessex Water region.

#### Larger grants

Awards for all

#### www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/funding/Awards-For-All

Up to £10,000. They do fund schools for projects that reach beyond their statutory obligations eg. After-school clubs, community links.

Esmee Fairburn Foundation http://esmeefairbairn.org.uk/what-we-fund/environment/

'Connecting people with Nature' grants from £5,000. Not for building/equipment costs.

# **Biodiversity Topic Inspiration**



#### **Project ideas**

- Make a mini nature reserve How many new habitats can you create in a small area of school? Try making a bird box, insect hotel, mini pond or wetland or planting shrubs for shelter. See if you can use recycled materials! You can find lots of ideas online, but the Wildlife Watch activity sheets are a good place to start: www.wildlifewatch.org.uk/activity-sheets
- Sign up for the RSPB's Wild Challenge Explore nature and work towards awards ww2.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-teachers
- Join the BLUE Campaign Make a blue heart out of recycled materials and use it to mark areas where you are encouraging biodiversity www.bluecampaignhub.com/schools.html



## **Useful links**

• Biodiversity topic on Pinterest:

www.pinterest.co.uk/ecoschoolsengla/biodiversity-topic/

- **OPAL Explore Nature:** Citizen science surveys you can do in your grounds or local environment
- www.opalexplorenature.org/schools
- WWF Schools: Campaigns and teaching resources
- www.wwf.org.uk/get-involved/schools/resources



#### **Go Global!**

Biodiversity links to the following Sustainable Development Goals:

- Goal 14: Life Below Water
- Goal 15: Life on Land

Search for lesson ideas:

- worldslargestlesson.globalgoals.org/lesson-plans-8-14-years/
- globaldimension.org.uk/resources

# Local examples

St Mary's Catholic First School studied biodiversity in RE as part of a topic on Creation.

The Eco-Team and PTFA organised a Wildlife Day one Saturday. Families were invited to join in activities to help wildlife in the grounds, e.g. planting new flower beds and making seed cakes for birds.



Frome Valley First School built a bug hotel as a whole school project. Children brought in materials and every class added a layer to the hotel.

Salway Ash Primary School decided to help biodiversity by adopting some endangered animals! Children made cards



#### **Damers First School**

The Eco-Team and Maths Club made a biodiversity-friendly product for their entry to the Fiver Challenge. Their 'Garden Grenades' were wildflower seed 'bombs' which they sold in the community to raise money for the school.



## **National & International Events**

- BIG SCHOOLS BIRD WATCH January
- WORLD WETLANDS DAY February
- NATIONAL NEST BOX WEEK February
- WORLD WILDLIFE DAY March
- HEDGEHOG AWARENESS WEEK April May
- NATIONAL INSECT WEEK June
- WORLD OCEANS DAY June
- RED SQUIRREL AWARENESS WEEK September

• Nature reserves: **Birds of Poole Harbour**—free guided boat tours and transport for schools www.birdsofpooleharbour.co.uk/childs-bird-boats **Dorset Wildlife Trust** www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk **RSPB reserves** Arne & Radipole Lakes *www.rspb.org.uk* National Trust reserves www.nationaltrust.org.uk **Dorset Country Parks** *www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/country-parks* Search Countryside Classroom for school visits: www.countrysideclassroom.org.uk

**Education Services & Centres:** 

**Urban Heaths Partnership** *www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/article/393687/Heath-visits* **Thorncombe Woods & Hardys birthplace** *dorsetforyou.gov.uk/Hardysbirthplace* **Moors Valley Country Park** *www.moors-valley.co.uk* Duriston Country Park www.duriston.co.uk **Avon Heath Country Park** *www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/avonheath* **Dorset Forest School** www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/Hardysbirthplace Leeson House Field Studies Centre www.leesonhouse.com Carey Camp www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/carey New Barn Field Centre www.newbarn.co.uk

• Local organisations

Dorset Mammal Group https://dorsetmammalgroup.wordpress.com Amphibian & Reptile Conservation Trust www.arc-trust.org Butterfly Conservation Dorset Branch www.dorsetbutterflies.com



#### **DORSET SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS DIRECTORY 2018/19**

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY 22 May

#### Visits, outreach and local support



# **Energy Topic Inspiration**



### **Project ideas**

- Switch Off Fortnight Join the annual campaign to reduce energy wastage in school. Use assemblies, posters, stickers and meter readings to involve the whole school and see how much energy you can save! jointhepod.org/campaigns
- Light Monitors Nominate children to take responsibility for making sure lights, monitors and projectors are turned off at break and lunchtime. Try recording how often they have to turn appliances off in each classroom, or even rewarding the best class.



## **Useful links**

- Energy topic on Pinterest:
- www.pinterest.co.uk/ecoschoolsengla/energy-topic/
- **Climate Visuals:** a bank of images on the subject of energy generation, climate change and solutions http://climateoutreach.org/climatevisuals/
- Sustainable Learning www.sustainablelearning.com



## **Go Global!**

Energy links to the following Sustainable Development Goals:

- Goal 7: Affordable and Clean Energy
- Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities
- Goal 13: Climate Action

Find resources on Energy around the world:

- worldslargestlesson.globalgoals.org/lesson-plans-8-14-years/
- globaldimension.org.uk/resources



# **National & International Events**

- SWITCH OFF FORTNIGHT November annually
- EARTH HOUR March annually
- GLOBAL WIND DAY June annually

## **Award & Schemes**

- Ashden Less CO<sub>2</sub> www.lessco2.org.uk/

## Visits, outreach and local support

- Dorset Community Energy Renewable energy education Dorset Community Energy are a community benefit society, set up to provide solar panel installations on schools and other community buildings funded by local investments.
  - DCE volunteers can provide the following FREE support:
    - $\Rightarrow$  Solar energy talks and workshops
  - $\Rightarrow$  Solar energy resource box available for loan
  - $\Rightarrow$  Monitoring solar energy generated by school solar panels
- Visit www.dorsetcommunityenergy.org.uk for further information.
- Solar Power Education Solar energy workshops and solar farm visits www.solarpowereducation.com

# Local examples

#### St Mary's Catholic First School

Year 3 were given a homework to research and report on a type of renewable energy. Children came back with incredible posters and models of wind turbines, solar panels etc. which were put on display. Children also monitored electricity use in school by reading meters and presented the data in graphs showing when the school used more or less energy.





#### **Damers First School**

The school ran an Energy Week during which all classes did work on energy. Year 2 experimented making different types of windmills. Foundation learned about energy saving and wrote their own energy saving promises, and Year 4 made and tested windmills. The Eco Team monitored the school's electricity use for the preceding 2 weeks, and then whole school joined in a Switch-Off day to see how much energy they could save by being more efficient.





#### **DORSET SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS DIRECTORY 2018/19**

# • Schools Energy Project (East Dorset) schoolsenergyproject.org.uk





# **Waste & Litter Topic Inspiration**



#### **Project ideas**

- **Refill Dorset** Refill is a practical tap water campaign that aims to make refilling your water bottle easy, cheap and eco-friendly by introducing refill points on eve-ry street. Children can write to encourage local cafes and businesses to join the scheme, and encourage everyone at school to use a reusable water bottle
- Community recycling for cash Turn waste collected in school into cash for your school or a charity. Various organisations have free schemes allowing you to col-lect everyday waste materials such as pens, biscuit wrappers and textiles for recy-cling. A great way to involve families and the wider community. Try terracy-cle.co.uk, emptiesplease.co.uk and philthebag.co.uk
- Litter picks & beach cleans Always fun and eye-opening! Going outside with litter pickers, a bag for recyclable waste and one for general waste is an activity many pupils enjoy. Count the number of items collected, or weighing the litter for some numeracy follow-up. Join in the annual Great Dorset Beach Clean



## **Useful links**

- Waste topic on Pinterest www.pinterest.co.uk/ecoschoolsengla/waste-topic/
- Litter topic on Pinterest www.pinterest.co.uk/ecoschoolsengla/litter-topic/
- Ellen MacArthur Foundation circular economy information & resources www.made2bmadeagain.org



# **Go Global!**

Waste & Litter links to the following Sustainable Development Goals:

- Goal 12: Responsible Consumption & Production
- Search for lesson ideas on waste around the world:
  - worldslargestlesson.globalgoals.org/lesson-plans-8-14-years/
  - globaldimension.org.uk/resources



## Campaigns

- Plastic Clever Schools: http://clearplasticuk.net/plastic-clever-schools
- Surfers Against Sewage Plastic Free Schools www.sas.org.uk/plastic-free-schools/



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#### **National & International Events**

- THE POD WASTE WEEK March annually 0
- **KEEP BRITAIN TIDY CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN March annually** 0
- **COMPOST AWARENESS WEEK May annually**
- WORLD OCEANS DAY June 0
  - **INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC BAG-FREE DAY July annually**
  - **GREAT BRITISH BEACH CLEAN September annually**
  - **RECYCLE WEEK September annually**
  - MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY October annually

## Visits, outreach and local support

- Litter Free Coast and Sea & Litter Free Dorset cleans, including lending equipment. www.litterfreedorset.co.uk
- **Dorset Waste Partnership Education Service** 
  - Free outreach assemblies and classroom activities.
  - Waste & recycling advice, composting & waste audits
  - Free compost bins and caddies
  - Recycling centre visits
  - www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/schoolsrecyclingeducation
- Dorset Waste Partnership community litter picking support www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/street-care/community-litter-picks
- Dorset Scrapstore
  - Low cost waste materials for art activities
  - Art and craft ideas
  - Creative workshops
  - dorsetscrapstore.org.uk
- Wimborne War on Waste
  - cially disposable cups. www.facebook.com/WimborneWaronWaste/
- Plastic-Free Dorchester Community Facebook group www.facebook.comroups/892810324254414/
- Ideas2Action Win on Waste Community recycling projects and 'We Need That' Directory www.ideas2action.org.uk
- Carymoor Environmental Trust

# Local examples

#### **St Michaels Middle School**

The Eco Team purchased some reusable water bottles in bulk and sold them to school staff and children, making a profit for Eco activities.



#### **Frome Valley First School**

The Eco-Team wrote an acceptable use policy for paper in school. In class children learned how paper is made from natural resources and made their own recycled paper. Every year the whole school take part in a community litter pick in the streets and playing field near the

plastic.

# sults were announced daily in assembly.



#### **DORSET SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS DIRECTORY 2018/19**

Campaigns to reduce litter at source, including help with organising litter picks and beach

Community campaign aimed at reducing the amount of rubbish the town produces, espe-

Education centre based at a Somerset landfill site offering a variety of waste-themed visits.

school. The children monitor the most common materials found-usually

Damers First School ran a whole school competition to see which class could reduce their waste the most. Children took responsibility for collecting and weighing the non-recyclable waste in each class' bin. The re-

# **Transport Topic Inspiration**



#### **Project ideas**

- Bike Breakfasts Encourage cycling or scooting to school by organising a special breakfast for children who scoot or cycle. Offer healthy snacks e.g. fruit or flapjacks—try asking a local supermarket to donate some goodies.
- Bling your bike Celebrate scooting and cycling by holding a 'bike blinging' competition. What ways can children find to make their bikes look cool and highly visible?
- The Big Shift A free challenge that you can use at any time to motivate your school to increase walking, cycling and scooting. www.sustrans.org.uk/ourservices/who-we-work/teachers/school-online-challenge
- Test air quality How clean is the air around your school? Friends of the Earth's free Clean Air pack for schools includes two sampling tubes so you can measure the air quality at your school gates. https://friendsoftheearth.uk/clean-air



#### **Useful links**

- Transport topic on Pinterest
- www.pinterest.co.uk/ecoschoolsengla/transport-topic/
- **Sustrans**: the UKs sustainable travel charity. www.sustrans.org.uk
- Living Streets: charity promoting walking. Resources and campaigns, including the WOW travel tracker: www.livingstreets.org.uk/what-we-do/projects



#### **Go Global!**

Transport links to the following Sustainable Development Goals:

Goal 12: Responsible Consumption & Production

Search for lesson ideas on Transport around the world:

globaldimension.org.uk/resources

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## **National & International Events**

- THE BIG PEDAL March annually HAPPY SHOESDAY April Annually WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK May annually WORLD CAR-FREE DAY September annually WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH October annually **ROAD SAFETY WEEK November annually**
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#### **Awards & Schemes**

- Modeshift Stars https://modeshiftstars.org/

#### Visits, outreach and local support

- Dorset County Council Travel Choice Team
- Help with school travel plans
  - Bikeability courses
  - Sustrans 'Bike It' Officers
- School Travel Health Check

A useful planning tool; your School Travel Health Check gives you a detailed analysis of the number and length of journeys pupils make to get to your school and a breakdown of the modes of transport used. Printed copies are sent to school every year, or you can access yours at: www.sthc.co.uk/portals/dorset/

Local examples

Damers First school have invented their own scheme to encourage cycling Henbury View First School took part in the Big Pedal. School and scooting to school. A small prize is offered to any child that scoots or council and Eco-Committee children encouraged everyone to cycles every day for a week, at any time during the school year.

They celebrated with a special 'Bike It Breakfast'. A new 'Bike It Bear' also standing at the school gates to remind parents. rewards children who make a special effort to scoot or cycle.

scoot or cycle by talking in assemblies, in their classes and



The Big Pedal was so successful at relieving congestion around the school gates that children and parents have continued to use active transport after the competition was over.



#### **DORSET SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS DIRECTORY 2018/19**

**Sustrans School Mark** www.sustrans.org.uk/officer/teacher-resources

www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/travel-dorset/walk/cycling-and-walking-to-school

# **Water Topic Inspiration**



#### **Project ideas**

- Water-saving Find out how much water your school uses every year by looking at your water bills and reading your water meter. Can you think of ways to reduce your water use? Toilet 'hippos', water butts and posters to remind everyone to turn off the taps can make a huge difference to your water use.
- Create a watery habitat in school Even a mini pond, such as a submerged bowl or bucket, or a bog garden will attract waster-loving plants and wildlife. For bigger pond projects, grants are available from the Wessex Watermark award: www.wessexwater.co.uk/watermark
- Toilet Twinning Raise awareness of the importance of good sanitation by twinning a school toilet with one overseas! Hold a 'Blue for the Loo Day' or think of your own creative ways to raise money to sponsor a toilet. www.toilettwinning.org/group/schools/

• Refill Dorset Support this campaign for free tap water. Can children encourage businesses to take part and encourage everyone to use reusable water bottles?



#### **Useful links**

• Water topic on Pinterest www.pinterest.co.uk/ecoschoolsengla/water-topic/



#### Go Global!

Water links to the following Sustainable Development Goals:

- Goal 6: Clean Water and Sanitation
- Goal 14: Life Below Water

Search for information and lesson ideas on water around the world:

globaldimension.org.uk/resources





#### Visits, outreach and local support

- Litter Free Coast and Sea
- Wessex Water Education Service Visits to reservoirs and sewage treatment works (KS2 only). wessexwater.co.uk/education/
- **Dorset Wildlife Trust Education Centres** visits and beach clean opportunities. www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/educational\_services1.html
- Water Aid speakers www.wateraid.org/uk/get-involved/schools
- Lyme Bay Reserve Schools Outreach Programme www.lymebayreserve.co.uk/about/schools-outreach.php

# Local examples

#### Sherborne Primary

After doing a water audit with Wessex Water, a group of children were appointed to make sure taps in each classroom were turned off tightly at break times.

#### **Bridport St Mary's Primary**

Children kept a water use diary at home and used their data to calculate their weekly water usage. They used frequency charts to work out where most water was used and where most could be saved, and designed posters to encourage others to save water.

#### Salway Ash Primary school

Children studied the types of rubbish that pollute the oceans and the impact on wildlife and made collage posters to highlight the problem.



#### **DORSET SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS DIRECTORY 2018/19**

**National & International Events** WORLD WATER DAY March annually **GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY October annually** WORLD OCEANS DAY November annually WORLD TOILET DAY November annually

> Grants to improve access to mains tap water and reduce dependence on plastic bottles in schools and colleges: www.tapwater.org/grants

Help with organising litter picks and beach cleans, including lending equipment.

Free outreach, including assemblies and classroom sessions and STEM activities.

The Fine Foundation Education Centres at Lulworth and Chesil Beach offer school

Free talks and workshops on hygiene & sanitation in the world's poorest countries.

Free outreach sessions on marine biodiversity and sustainable fishing



# **School Grounds Topic Inspiration**



## **Project ideas**

- Plant a tree Give pupils the chance to plant their own trees in the school grounds. The Woodland Trust provide free tree packs for schools. Visit www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/ plant-trees.
- **Outdoor Classroom Day** is an international movement challenging schools to spend at least one lesson outdoors on designated days in May and October each year. Join with schools around the world and celebrate your school grounds!

outdoorclassroomday.org.uk.



#### **Awards & Schemes**

- Green Tree Schools Award: www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/get-involved/schools/greentree-school-award.
- RHS School Gardening Awards schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/school-gardening-awards
- Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Mark www.lotc.org.uk/lotc-accreditations/ lotc-mark/



## **Useful links**

**School Grounds topic on Pinterest** www.pinterest.co.uk/ecoschoolsengla/school-grounds-topic/



## **Go Global!**

School Grounds links to the following Sustainable Development Goals:

- Goal 3: Good Health and Wellbeing
- Goal 15: Life on Land •

Search for information and lesson ideas on school grounds around the world:

globaldimension.org.uk/resources

# Local examples

#### **Damers First School**

The whole school collected plastic bottles which children turned into this fantastic 'bottle greenhouse' with help from Princes Trust volunteers. Children now use the greenhouse to grow veg which is often linked to studying other countries and their food.





#### **Southill Primary School**

The Eco-Committee have decided to create a reflective garden for children to use as a quiet area during play time and to benefit SEN children. The children planned a lowmaintenance garden with Japanese-style planting. To raise money for the project, the school applied to the Tesco Bags of Help scheme and were successfully awarded most of the money they needed.



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- NATIONAL SCHOOL GROUNDS WEEK June annually 0
  - NATIONAL TREE WEEK November annually



# Visits, outreach and local support

 Dorset County Council School Grounds Service spaces.

www.dorsetnexus.org.uk/Services/813

- **RSPB Outreach Services** rspb.org.uk/schoolsoutreach
- Learning through Landscapes advice, CPD and teaching resources. www.ltl.org.uk
- Royal Horticultural Society Campaign for School Gardening endars. schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk

#### **Funding for School Grounds Projects:**

- Dorset Gardens Trust: www.dorsetgardenstrust.co.uk/index.php/schools-programme
- your local store manager to enquire.

#### **DORSET SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS DIRECTORY 2018/19**

OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY May and October annually

A complete range of services to help you create and maintain engaging outdoor

Our local RSPB officers offer free sessions in your school grounds, including hunting for plants and wildlife, mapping habitats and improving spaces for nature.

A UK charity specialising in outdoor learning and play in education. Providers of

Lots of guidance on school gardening, plus activities, lesson plans and planting cal-

Wessex Watermark Award: www.wessexwater.co.uk/watermark/

 Local businesses: Local B&Q stores donate unusable goods to community groups, and many garden centres will donate plants, compost and equipment. Contact

For more funding ideas, download the

Improving School Grounds and Outdoor Spaces Grants & Funding List at

www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/green-dorset/get-help-eco-schools

#### **Bridport Primary School**

The Eco-Committee and Eco-Coordinator organised a Community Environment Day one Saturday afternoon. Families and friends turned up to help transform the school grounds by planting, painting, tidying. Volunteers helped to create a new woodland walk and outdoor learning area. It was a brilliant way to involve the wider community and with all the help, the school grounds were completely transformed.

# **Healthy Living Topic Inspiration**



## **Project ideas**

- Mental health Why not start a mediation club or practice daily mindfulness; especially to help reduce pupil (& teacher) stress levels during assessment time.
- Daily Mile is an international movement challenging schools to spend at least one lesson outdoors on designated days in May and October each year. Join with schools around the world and celebrate your school grounds! outdoorclassroomday.org.uk.
- Five a Day Do a survey to find out how many children actually eat five fruit and veg a day. Hold a campaign to encourage everyone to eat more fruit and vegetables. This could include an assembly, posters and recipe ideas.



#### Awards & Schemes

- Healthy Schools www.healthyschools.org.uk
- Food for Life Award www.foodforlife.org.uk/schools/packages
- Healthy Schools Rating Scheme (details to be confirmed by the DfE)
- WWF Plant 2 Plate campaign www.wwf.org.uk/get-involved/schools/resources



#### **Useful links**

- Healthy Living topic on Pinterest
- www.pinterest.co.uk/ecoschoolsengla/healthy-living-topic/



# **Go Global!**

Healthy Living links to the following Sustainable Development Goals:

- Goal 3: Good Health and Wellbeing
- Goal 7: Affordable & Clean Energy
- Goal 16: Clean Water & Sanitation

Search for information and lesson ideas on healthy living around the world:

globaldimension.org.uk/resources

# Local examples

#### **Sherborne Primary School**

The Eco-Committee have run smoothie bars and fruit **shops** to encourage fruit consumption and raise money for the school garden. Children asked their families and supermarkets to donate fruit which they then prepared and sold at breaktime.



#### **Bridport Primary**

Children shared healthy lunchbox recipes to encourage healthy eating.

#### **Ferndown First School**

The Eco-Committee organised a produce sale, selling vegetables children had grown in school to parents and raising money for school gardening projects.



# Frome Valley First School

#### **Damers First School**



## **National & International Events**

- **CHILDRENS MENTAL HEALTH WEEK February annually** NATIONAL FITNESS DAY September annually NATIONAL SCHOOL GROUNDS WEEK June annually HEALTHY EATING WEEK June annually WORLD FOOD DAY October annually WORLD TOILET DAY November annually
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# Visits, outreach and local support

• Dorset County Council Outdoor Education Service Advice, guidance and training for school staff organising off-site visits, including farm visits.

www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/outdoored

- **Dorset County Council School Grounds Service** A complete range of services to help you create and maintain engaging outdoor spaces, including playgrounds that facilitate active play. www.dorsetnexus.org.uk/Services/813
- Active Dorset

the Dorset School Games and PE Conference. www.activedorset.org/school-sport

• Farm Visits Funding

learn about agriculture, horticulture and rural enterprises. www.dorsetcountyshow.co.uk/1840+education+fund

 Royal Horticultural Society Campaign for School Gardening Lots of guidance on school gardening, plus activities, lesson plans and planting calendars. schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk







#### **DORSET SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS DIRECTORY 2018/19**

- Advice and guidance on use of the Primary Pupil Sports Premium, organisers of
- Dorset Agricultural Society's 1840 Education Fund aims to help school children

- Monthly 'Walking Wednesdays' are held when children are encouraged to come to school on foot or by bike or scooter instead of by car.
- All Year 3 and 4 classes chose a country to study for the year. The children researched what vegetables to grow from their chosen country. The children then grew the crops and turned them into dishes national dishes, for example Mexican salad, onion bhajis, bombay potatoes, fruit salad. Parents were invited into classes to try the dishes.

# **Global Citizenship Topic Inspiration**



#### **Project ideas**

• Eco-Schools Twinning Talk Eco with children from the other side of the world! Share ideas and resources or perhaps even visit an overseas Eco-School. Green Flag schools can sign up to the new scheme at www.eco-schools.org.uk/topics/ global-perspective/.



#### **Awards & Schemes**

- **Global Learning Programme** http://glp.globaldimension.org.uk
- Send a Cow www.sendacow.org/schools
- Send my Friend to School www.sendmyfriend.org
- Fairtrade School Award https://schools.fairtrade.org.uk/fairtrade-schoolsawards/
- British Council Awards: Connecting Classrooms, International School Award & more https://schoolsonline.britishcouncil.org/about-programmes



#### **Useful links**

**Global Citizenship topic on Pinterest** www.pinterest.co.uk/ecoschoolsengla/global-citizenship-topic/



#### **Go Global!**

The Global Citizenship topic links well to all 17 of the Sustainable Development Goals!

Find out more at worldslargestlesson.globalgoals.org

Search for information and lesson ideas on global topics:

globaldimension.org.uk/resources

# Local examples

#### **Frome Valley First School**

The school have a link with a school in Kenya. The whole school contributed to making a book about being an Eco-School, which they sent to their friends in Kenya.



#### **Southill Primary School**

Another school with a partner in Kenya. The Eco-Committee learned that plastic bags were causing pollution in Kenya so they invented a way of re-using old plastic bags by knitting them to make strong shopping bags. During her exchange visit, the Southill Eco-Coordinator taught Kenyan children how to make the bags.

# **National & International Events**

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- **FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT** March annually
- **COMIC RELIEF** March annually 0
- 0 **AFRICA DAY May annually** 0
- **ONE WORLD WEEK October annually**
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## Visits, outreach and local support

- DEED Development Education Dorset's own development education charity offering:
- resources; themed collections and displays www.deed.org.uk
- Carymoor Environmental Trust www.carymoor.org.uk
- Water Aid speakers

Free talks and workshops on hygiene & sanitation in the world's poorest countries. www.wateraid.org/uk/get-involved/schools





**Damers First School** 



#### **DORSET SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS DIRECTORY 2018/19**

**UNITED NATIONS DAY October Annually UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S DAY November annually** 

- staff CPD e.g. Philosophy 4 Children, Global Learning, Curriculum Planning - children's workshops e.g. Fairtrade, Multicultural Britain

Visits to the education centre to explore the global impacts of waste.

All Year 3 and 4 classes chose a country to study for the year. The children researched what vegetables to grow from their chosen country. The children then grew the crops and turned them into dishes national dishes, such as Mexican salads, onion bhajis and bombay potatoes. Parents were