



# GREEN NEWS!

Goldfield Green Environmental News



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## We hope you had a hoppy Easter!



A big THANK YOU to Mrs Anderson for plopping into our pond some fabulous frolicking frogs. They looked most relaxed as they took in their new surroundings.

*Please remember frogs and spawn should never be moved to a pond that already has an existing frog population as it can spread disease.*

The children in Reception have been working hard to develop their garden area...



... and when they haven't been they've been making the most of the wonderful spring weather we've all been enjoying, taking some of their art activities into the outdoor environment.

This year's World Earth Day theme is education. We are focusing on the maxim

**"Waste less, Live more."**



World Water Day taught us ways we can save more and waste less water. The children have been busy making posters to place around the school to remind us.



At Goldfield we have been composting for many years but as part of our World Earth Day pledge we would like to raise its status.



Thank you to   for the two large composters and kitchen caddies they have sent us.

**Did you know** that the perfect composting mix is:  
**X2 brown (things that used to be living)**  
**X1 green (things that are living)**

**Did you know** to avoid adding walnut shells as they can be poisonous to other plants!

**Did you know** a little cat/dog hair adds nitrogen and can also add as a repellent to pests!

**Did you know** droppings and bedding from herbivorous pets such as rabbits and guinea pigs is great for the compost but droppings/bedding from carnivorous critters such as hedgehogs should be avoided!

**Did you know** covering fruit waste with a layer of brown will help deter flies! Why not save autumn leaves and use them for layering throughout the year!

## Goldfield's Eco Code of Conduct

At the end of last term the children started to think about World Earth Day. Together they made a list of ideas and rules to apply to their immediate school environment. These are being made into an Eco Code of Conduct for World Earth Day. Details to follow.

## We Need You!

Any garden donations for Year One or Reception would be gratefully received.

**"Waste less, Live more"**

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