

Stafford Borough Eco-Schools Network

Eco-Action Day Tuesday 5th July 2016

EVALUATION

Around 145 children participated in the event this year from 11 schools, including high schools, primary schools and first schools. A teacher or helper from each school was asked to fill in an evaluation form after the event, to help us find out what they liked about the Eco-Action Day and where we could make improvements. Nine responses have been received so far. The results are summarised below. It looks like it was a pretty good day!

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		Very Good	Good	Not Very Good	Any additional comments welcome
1	Pre-event information and communication from Karen	10			Fantastic communication, particularly regarding what children needed for the day. Good.
2	Venue (Staffordshire Wildlife Trust's headquarters at Wolseley)	10			Fab
3	Overall structure and timing of the day (eg too long/short, too rushed/slow)	9	1		Fine
4	Arrival and registration arrangements	9	1		Fine
5	Welcome, opening words, reminder of schedule for the day	9	1		Good
6	'You're Rubbish' theatre production by Momo Theatre Company	10			Children loved it! <i>This was best – they made me laugh all the way through!</i> <i>My favourite bit – the councillor was joking around!</i> Amazing! Super production this year-enjoyed by both adults and children.

7	'Mini-beasts and Meadows!' Making cress caterpillars and exploring and investigating the meadows.	7	3		Children loved it! <i>'I've learned so much about nature'</i> <i>'The bug hunt was really good'</i> This workshop was the same as last year - so for children who didn't go last year it was great, for those who did, they still enjoyed the activities, but they did remember it from last year.
8	"Nature's Art" Creating natural art features, work with clay, and making hand-prints for the Giant Earth!	4	5	1	Didn't appeal to our older students, would have benefited from initial examples/direction (High School) The art was the best – if it had been a competition we would have won! See above: We didn't make hand prints we made cress caterpillars.
9	Lunch Break Litter free and healthy lunch competition	6	4		
10	Lunch Break Free play and optional walk around the boardwalk	8	2		Nice to be able to have a walk around Perhaps the walk/tour would appeal more to older students as an activity.
11	Closing Words Farewell words and messages, thank-you's and departure.	4	2		We had to leave before the end so n/a Unfortunately we had to leave before the official end so n/a We needed to leave before closing words so n/a N/A
12	Eco-goody bags and other things to take home	6	4		The children really liked their bags. Thanks.

13	Childrens' general feedback <i>(quotes welcome!)</i>	10		<p>All the children loved the experience and enjoyed all the activities.</p> <p>Excellent = thank you letters sent to Karen Wed 6th July</p> <p>Dependant on activity – bug hunting was very popular.</p> <p>“I had so much fun!”</p> <p>“It was absolutely brilliant”</p> <p>“The theatre was hilarious”</p> <p>The children had a brilliant day! They loved being outside and exploring. They particularly enjoyed the theatre show!</p> <p>The children have returned to school eager to implement some of what they have learnt.</p> <p>The children all really enjoyed their day and have come back to school with many ideas that they want to put into action.</p> <p>Children really enjoyed their day and loved the different activities. Thank you, it was a real; treat they said.</p> <p>The children all had a fantastic day and were keen to tell everyone at school about their day.</p>
14	Teachers'/ other helpers' general feedback <i>(quotes welcome!)</i>	10		<p>It was a well organised day with lots of engaging activities for the children to get involved in.</p> <p>Very enjoyable day, thank you.</p> <p>The whole event was very well organised. The weather was kind. I enjoyed all the activities, especially the theatre which I thought was superbly well done as well as getting the message across. I laughed until I cried and I wasn't the</p>

					<p>only adult to do so! Best of the theatres so far! I also enjoyed the lunch time walk- it gave me a few more ideas for our sensory garden too!</p> <p>Thank you for a fantastic day!</p> <p>A fantastic, well planned day.</p> <p>Very well organised day.</p>
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Do you have any other comments or suggestions?

eg would you like us to run this event in the future? Is it the right time of year? How could we improve the event for schools?

'It was a good time of year for the event and we would definitely be interested again We had a great day and the children really enjoyed themselves. We hope to join you for another one soon'. Burton Manor Primary

'Yes, right time of year.

Perhaps incorporate another activity to keep a fast-ish pace up and maintain interest.

Dinner hour could be shortened from an hour' Weston Road Academy

'I have enjoyed these events each year I have attended. The timing is pretty good, but it is a really busy time of year with lots of cluster activities and transition days being organised at the same time. I wonder if the beginning of the summer term might be a bit better?

Perhaps some pond dipping next year?
Clay work? The giant hand prints?
Alphabetical treasure hunt? Or wildlife walk?
Making bird/ bat/ hedgehog boxes?
Den building?

Thank you for all your hard work in organising and planning. We really do appreciate it!
Vicky Potts, Oulton

Thank you! It was an excellent day. I thoroughly enjoyed being able to reward my Eco Club for all of their efforts. The day was very well organised and the activities were fantastic! Thank you! Anson

All the children really enjoyed the day – so did I! St Lawrence's

How could we improve the event for schools? It is at the right time of year. Maybe a little look round the lake next year and a range of activities ...similar to those we have completed but a little more challenging as some were repeated from last year.

Really lovely day and venue, nice to get the children outdoors, made all the better by the weather - not sure it would be so successful if raining.

Many thanks. Lynn, Sir Graham Balfour