

Year 1 – Walk in the Woods

- We saw lots of signs of Spring, including hundreds of bluebells



Sadly though, we also saw a lot of this...




A graphic for World Earth Day featuring a teal Earth in the center, surrounded by concentric teal orbits with circular planets and white stars on a dark blue background.

World Earth Day

22nd April 2024

What is Earth Day?

- World Earth Day has been going since 1970 – 54 years.
 - It takes place every year on the 22nd April.
 - It is a day for the whole world to think about what we are doing to look after and protect our planet from climate change.
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Did you know...?



If we don't take action on climate change, we could lose almost 50% of species from the world's most important natural areas



This year's theme is

Planet v Plastics

- 1 million plastic bottles are bought every minute
- 5 trillion plastic bags are used every year
- We produce 400 million tonnes of plastic waste every year
- 8 million pieces of plastic enter our oceans every year



Planet v Plastics

- Around the world, plastics are used in a wide range of things. However, the use of plastics is having a negative effect on our planet. Particularly our oceans.

Play clip:

https://www.google.com/search?q=video+of+plastic+pollution+in+the+ocean&rlz=1C1GCEA_enGB1085GB1085&oq=videos+of+plastic+in+the+ocean&gs_lcrp=EgZjaHJvbWUqCAGBEAAYFhgeMgYIABBFGDkyCAGBEAAYFhgeMggIAhAAGBYYHjIICAMQABgWGB4yDQgEEAAYhgMYgAQYigUyDQgFEAAYhgMYgAQYigUyDQgGEAAYhgMYgAQYigUyCggHEAAYgAQYogTSAQkxMDIwNWowajeoAgCwAgA&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8#fpstate=ive&vld=cid:653e8675,vid:Yomf5pBN8dY,st:0

So you can see that

- Plastics that aren't disposed of properly pose a danger to all living creatures. Animals can be trapped by plastics or can make them sick if eaten. Millions of animals are killed by plastics each year.



The aim is to get rid of 60% of plastics by 2040

- So what can we do?




We need to...

- Reduce
- Reuse
- Recycle



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- Reduce – avoid buying plastic items
 - Reuse – if you do think how you can reuse it
 - Recycle – if you can't do the first 2 then make sure you put any plastic you use in the recycling bin!
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We need to think what we can do at Rowdown to reduce our plastic.

- Responsibility
 - Respect
 - Resilient
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Over the next few weeks we will think about ways that we can reduce our plastic usage in school.

In our classes, we can discuss our ideas and then feedback these ideas to the school council.



REMEMBER AT ROWDOWN

TOGETHER WE CAN

