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## JYS Eco Team Newsletter



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Dear Families,

Please find below our latest Eco Team news and information.

### Water!

At our recent Eco Team meetings, we have designed and made water saving reminder posters which we have put up by the sinks around school, to encourage everyone to be water-wise.

We have also given each class from Year 2 to Year 6 a 'Water Book', written by previous member of the Eco Team. It gives some good ideas about how we can help to save water and it contains lots of interesting facts about water, reminding us of just how precious this resource is. For example, did you know that it takes 7,600 litres of water to produce a pair of jeans or that it takes 2,400 litres to produce a cheeseburger? That's a lot of water!



Please make sure that you don't waste water at home. For lots of water saving tips for your house and garden, visit Southern Water's website at <https://www.southernwater.co.uk/savewater>.

### 'Big Battery Hunt' update!



On the 17<sup>th</sup> May, we worked in pairs to sort and count how many of each type of battery had been donated to our battery recycling point so far. Here are our results:

Total number of batteries collected: 744!

AA batteries: 486

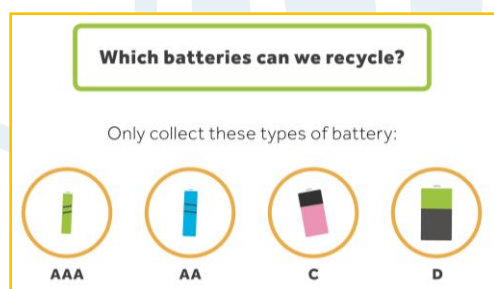
AAA batteries: 223

C batteries: 25

D batteries: 10

Thank you all for your support with our campaign so far. Please keep collecting and bringing in your batteries to school when your collection box is getting full! Our battery recycling point is located in the library area, opposite the Eco Team's display board.

Please remember that we can only collect AAA, AA, C and D type batteries. Please do not bring any other types of battery into school. This includes button cell batteries, which can obviously be extremely dangerous for young children.



### **Litter!**

Yesterday afternoon, we went litter picking in the school grounds. Whilst the main playground was quite litter-free, we were surprised and disappointed about how much litter we found around the edges of the field and in the Sensory Garden. We picked up many empty plastic raisin packets, sweet wrappers, lolly wrappers, crisp packets, pieces of tin foil, pieces of paper and old tissues.

Please remember to help keep our school litter-free by putting your rubbish in the bins on the playground. If someone in your class is giving out a treat at the end of the school day to celebrate their birthday, please make sure that you put any empty wrappers or packets in a school bin, or take them home with you. Thank you!



### **Fairtrade Surprises!**

Continuing our work as a 'Fair Aware' school, we will be unveiling some Fairtrade surprises at the summer fair, so come along to our stall to see what we've got!

### **Your Eco Ideas**

We would love to hear your ideas for how we can make our school even more environmentally friendly. Please do let a member of the Eco Team know if you have any good suggestions!

Thank you for all your support,

*The JYS Eco Team*