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Dear Parents/Carers,

As an Eco School and as part of our continued commitment to becoming ever more environmentally friendly, the Eco Team wanted to update you on some of our ongoing projects which you can support.

We have recently acquired a battery recycling container, that is located in the foyer of our school office. We have talked to the children in a Collective Worship about the problem with throwing away batteries. Each year we throw away about 600 million batteries. Over 20,000 tonnes of batteries end up in landfill sites - that's as heavy as 4,000 elephants. It can take batteries 100 years to decompose and they contain chemicals that can pollute the soil and water, which animals and plants rely on to survive.

We look forward to seeing parents and carers and children make use of this fantastic facility to ensure batteries are being properly recycled. Please note only the following four types of battery can be recycled – AAA, AA, C and D.

The Eco Warriors would also like to draw your attention to an opportunity to be cleaner and greener in your internet use. Ecosia search engine offers all the benefits of more commonly used search engines, but generates solar energy for every day the browser is used and uses all profits to support climate projects, such as planting trees and regenerative farming. We think this is a great way to be an Agent of Change in our everyday lives.

Please be aware the same level of supervision and safety checks are required should your child use Ecosia as they would with any other search engine.

You can find out more information about Ecosia at https://www.ecosia.org/

Thank you for continued support.

Yours sincerely

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