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Dear Emma,

### **Green Flag Award**

I am delighted to confirm that you have been successful in being awarded your Eco-Schools Green Flag in June 2024. The Eco-School's team were very impressed with your school's work.

Congratulations to all concerned - staff and pupils alike who helped your school achieve its environmental targets. You will hold the flag for two years and will be **reapplying in March 2026 to be awarded in June 2026**.

The assessors made the following comments about the **strengths** of your school evident in the assessment visit:

This is an excellent green flag application which covers the seven required steps to a high standard. The action plan is clear and detailed outlining the three topics of litter, energy and waste.

The major topic of litter is carried out to a high standard, engaging with our "adopt a spot" programme with an impressive level of parent and community involvement. The days of action are also particularly impressive with Christmas jumper swaps and plastic free day, great examples of a whole school approach to environmental action.

Both minor topics are also carried out to a high level, with the eco-committee taking responsibility for monitoring and reducing energy usage in the school. The focus on recycling within the school and the implementation of strategies to increase this, e.g additional bins and signage is also really positive.

Overall, this is a great application which shows a high level of school engagement in the eco-schools programme, with particular commendation for the positive involvement of the local community. As well as the good representation of the school in the eco-council which is an active and engaged group – well done!

The assessors made the following **suggestions** which may enhance your Eco-Schools programme going forward:

A suggestion would be the inclusion of outdoor learning/biodiversity as a topic for the next cycle - This is a great area for progression with the hedgerow planting plans for the new school grounds.

Once again, many congratulations to all and keep up the great work!

Yours sincerely

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