

# Planet Protectors and Gardening Club News - Summer 2025

## Congratulations to all Planet Protectors!

For the 4th year running the hard work of all Planet Protectors has led to them being awarded a Green Flag with Distinction. Eco Schools were very complimentary about the variety of projects the children undertook and the enthusiasm they undertook them with.



PPs ran Protect the Andes fund raising day last month. Children wore their own clothes with many linking them to the Columbian Cloud Forest the charity is protecting.

We had a stall selling cakes, crafts and plants grown by Gardening Club and Yr3's Molly Green wrote and organised the performance of a play about explorers in the Andes. Over £480

was raised! Thank you to all the parents who helped us.



KS2 Planet Protectors visited Gardeners World Live show last month to see Tom Saunders' (Skylark Gardens) show garden linked to his work with Protect the Andes.



Olivia, Anna and Elodie report, We had an amazing and enjoyable time, wandering about the gardens and floral marquee. The gardens were creative, innovative and interesting. Our favourites were Tom's, the Lego garden and Mrs Daley liked the posh one with the vegetables in it.

The children spoke with designers learning how biodiversity can be brought into our school grounds and own gardens. Thanks to all parents helping to relocate the garden to the school.

Toby (Yr3) and Cara (Yr5) told us earlier in the year about the national walk to school week. Planet Protectors decided, after hearing from Danielle at Let's Go Zero, that they wanted to have a walk, cycle or car share to school week this month.

Martha and Alice (Yr5) undertook a survey beforehand finding only 5 children in Yr 5 walked to school.

Planet Protectors plan to work on Transport next year so look out for new projects then!



Gardening Club (GC) have been busy planting 2 new gardens this term which they have entered Bloomin' Bollington with.

Year 5 gardeners planted the flower bed by the post box with pollinator plants and Yr1-5 gardeners made the vertical edible garden outside the kitchen.

All plants were grown from seed by the children or a local gardener along with some cuttings.

The children were awarded a Special Recognition Certificate on Sunday by Bollington Lord Mayor.

Please feel free to help yourselves to the edible garden over the summer holidays.

A big thank you to Jenny Neil for the beautiful signs she has made to all the parents who have helped with this and other PP and GC projects,



GC and PPs have placed the hedgehog houses they made in quiet areas of the garden. They have been harvesting blackcurrants, gooseberries, strawberries and potatoes this term.

Message from Ms Lewis

Thank to all children and parents for your support of Planet Protectors and Gardening Club. Without this I would not have been able to run the groups in the way I have in recent years.

When I was 7, I had a wonderful teacher, Miss Johnson, who ran a nature club at my primary school. She influenced me greatly about the love of nature leading to a life long enjoyment of it. I feel very privileged to have been able to work with your children in a similar way and hope that some of them will carry on their love of nature as they get older.

Ms Barber has kindly agreed to run Planet Protectors and Gardening Club next year!



