

Our World

TOPICS: Looking After Our World and What I've Learnt - *Suggested for Year 3*

We have chosen to deliver this topic in year(s):

Year Intent



In Year 3, children broaden their understanding of the world around them by exploring how people grow, live and work within their environment.

They learn about the importance of caring for the planet and begin to understand how their choices can help protect it. Pupils explore ideas such as reducing, reusing and recycling, and consider ways to save water and electricity.

Through discussion and activities, they recognise how small actions can help care for the world and reduce their impact on the environment.

Curriculum Links

Statutory RSHE Links

Developing bodies (early introduction to human life cycle)

Ask me a question!

How can we save water?

What does the phrase 'reduce, re-use, recycle' mean?

How can we reduce the amount of electricity we use?

Knowledge & Skills Progression

Looking After Our World - Pupils should...

- explain the meaning of reduce, reuse, and recycle
- recognise how we can help look after our planet
- identify how to reduce the amount of water and electricity we use
- understand how we can reduce our carbon footprint

What I've Learnt - Pupils can...

- confidently demonstrate ways to care for living things and the world around them in different environments
- recognise and respond appropriately to situations where people, animals or the environment may need care or protection
- apply strategies to help look after their surroundings at home, at school and in their community
- clearly explain how people grow, live and work in the world, and why it is important to care for living things and the environment

I will learn the following new words/phrases:

I now know...

Reduce	To make the size or quantity of something smaller.
Re-use	To use more than once.
Recycle	To convert waste into reusable materials or to use again.
Environment	The surroundings in which a person, animal, or plant lives.
Carbon footprint	The amount of carbon dioxide we produce.
Carbon dioxide	A gas released into the environment when we carry out certain activities, such as driving or using electricity.
Global warming	A change in the planet which can cause it to become warmer than usual.

