



Policy on Environmental Education

Aims:

- To understand the relationships between people and the environment.
- To foster an awareness of, and concern about, economic, social, political and ecological interdependence in urban and rural areas.
- To provide the opportunities to acquire knowledge, attitudes, values, commitment and skills needed to protect and improve the environment.
- To create new patterns of behaviour in individuals, groups and society as a whole towards the environment.
- To become aware of, and sensitive to the total environment and its problems.
- To offer staff and students the chance to behave in an environmentally friendly sustainable manner
- To encourage the introduction and implementation of environmentally friendly initiatives and practices

Environmental Education

Environmental education is a process through which individuals and groups acquire knowledge, understanding and attitudes that will lead to improved behaviour patterns towards their natural and manmade environment.

It is the policy of our school that the environment will be considered in its totality with a view to environmental education becoming a lifelong process. All teachers will by their words and actions endeavour to make their pupils aware of and more caring to their environment.

Environmental awareness will be highlighted in the following classes: Science, Art, CSPE, Technology, History, Geography, Business studies, Green Schools, SPHE etc

Care of the local environment will be emphasised at regular student's assemblies.

Formulation of Policy

The Principal, Deputy Principals, SEE, Student council, BOM and Parents Association will all play a role in the formulation and review of the policy.

Implementation of Policy

- Environmental awareness will be highlighted in Science, Art, CSPE, Technology, Business, History, Geography, Religion, and SPHE classes etc.
- Care for the local environment will be highlighted at regular assemblies.



- Environmental student ambassadors will be appointed to help people understand and participate in all new initiatives
- A suite of bins will be placed at strategic places around the school to maximise recycling
- There will be strong and productive communication between school personnel and the waste management company with the contract for the removal of waster

Monitoring Procedures

Success Criteria

- Are classrooms clean and tidy?
- Is the amount of litter on view decreasing?
- Is the school community's awareness of their immediate environment heightened?
- Our school holds the Green Flag Award
- Are the new bins been used in an appropriate manner ?
- Is the amount of paper waste been reduced?
- Is the canteen using environmentally friendly containers etc?

Review Procedures

The Principal, Deputy Principals, SEE, Student council, BOM and Parents Association will all play a role in the formulation and review of the policy on a regular basis

Ratified:

Date: _____

Chairperson of the BOM: _____