

Look what we've **DONE** and are **STILL DOING** since we started in 1999...

- Litter teams keep our grounds **litter** free!
- We help to clean up Renmore when we take part in the National Spring Clean every year!
- We **recycle** paper, plastic, cardboard, stamps, computer cartridges and batteries!
- We **reuse** paper, envelopes and newspapers!
- We **reduce** packaging by using lunchboxes and reusable bottles!
- We reduce paper by writing and photocopying on both sides!
- We created a '**wild area**' in our grounds by planting 600 trees, as well as bulbs and wild flowers!
- To encourage wildlife to visit our grounds we have these trees, birdfeeders, nest boxes, a squirrel box and log piles! (We've had visits from lots of birds, a family of rabbits and even a fox!)
- We used up parent's old paint and painted two mini-beasts **murals**!
- We fundraised to get yard games painted in our playgrounds!
- We 'recycled' Fr Mulkerrins' tree to make log seats and a log pile so we can study mini-beasts!
- We've planted bulbs and winter flowers in pots and window boxes and even in an old sink!
- We enter the Galway City Council anti-litter poster competition every year and nearly always win prizes!
- We used some of the prize money to buy plants for classrooms and around the school!

- The '**Energy Squad**' reminds us every day to save energy by turning off lights and standby lights!
- We're saving **water** because we put 'hippos' in all the school cisterns! (**34.5** litres in total if every toilet is flushed!!)
- We learned lots of other ways to save water and '**Slow the Flow**'!
- We're helping the environment and getting healthy by walking, cycling, carpooling and taking public transport whenever we can.
- We have bike racks outside our school hall.
- We had a **WOW/COW** day *every* Wednesday for a number of years!
- We've grown lots of vegetables in our school garden!
- We encourage as much wildlife as we can to visit our school grounds by planting many different species of trees and plants, by putting out bird feeders and nesting boxes, by having a 'bug hotel' and a log pile and by having a wild area in our yard.
- We're trying to get good at recognising as many species of birds, trees and mini beasts, common to our school grounds, as we can.
- We've achieved **six** green flags!
- We participate in Plastic Free Week, Tree Day, Tree Week and the An Taisce National Spring Clean every year!

Wow!!
Well done everyone!
Let's keep up the **GREAT** work!!