



Be strong and courageous.....for the Lord your God is with you

Courageous Advocacy

Be the CHANGE you wish to SEE IN THE world

The children have worked really hard on their Courageous Advocacy Projects this year and have seen some great results and we would like to feedback to you some of the highlights from the year for each project.



Reception have spent time getting to know the people in Shelburne Lodge. They created cards for them and learned some songs to perform to them. They really enjoyed visiting and chatting with the residents.



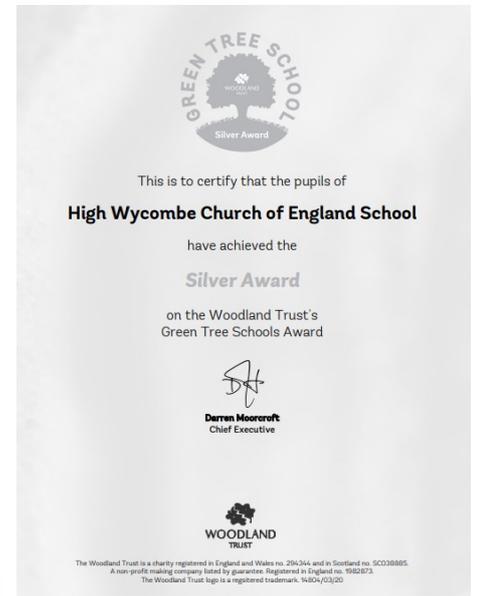
Year 1 designed, built and equipped a hedgehog house for our school grounds and worked with Mr Gomm to make High Wycombe C of E hedgehog friendly. They found out how we can care for hedgehogs and helped educate the rest of the school about what to do if you find a hedgehog. They made some delightful hedgehog cakes and raised £73.00 For Tigglywinkles by selling them after school. They've also reported a sighting of a hedgehog in the local area on Hedghog Street. Don't forget if you see an hedgehog over the summer to register it so that we can help create a map of where the hedgehogs are living in order to help them best. <https://bighedgehogmap.org/holes-for-hedgehogs-home/map-hedgehog-sighting>



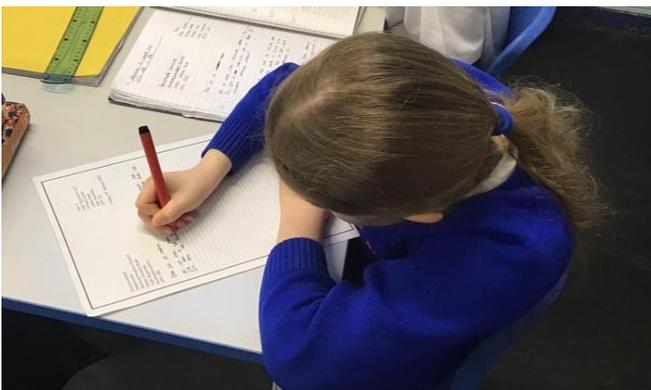
Year 2 were worried about the increasing numbers of people who cannot afford to feed themselves and their families. They found out about a wonderful local charity called One Can Trust who support people in our area with food parcels. They had a visit from one of the staff at One Can and really got to know how things work at this charity. Year 2 have worked in partnership with One Can to raise awareness of the charity along with organising a number of collections including a highly successful yellow day at school.

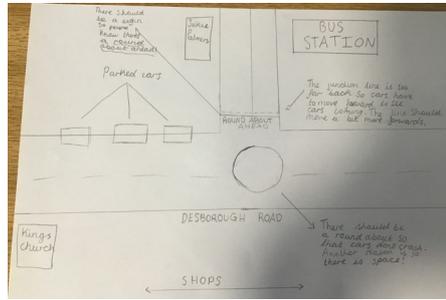


Year 3 were concerned about the disappearing rainforest and the potential impact this will have on the world. They started by trying to raise awareness of the problem and find out what they could do to help. They wrote letters to the Government and the Wildlife Trust where they found out about the Wildlife Trust's Green Trees Award. They spent a lot of time in the woods on Tom Burts Hill exploring the different plants and animals that live there and completing various tasks and activities. They earned enough points to achieve a Silver Certificate.

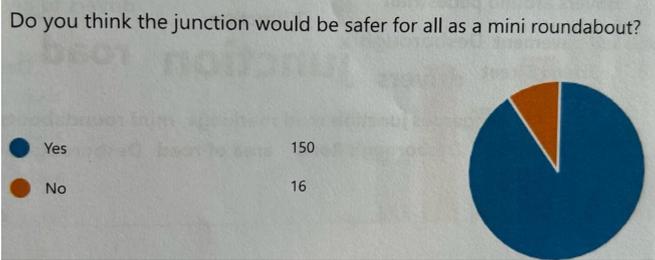


Year 4 noticed that there is increasing amounts of litter being dropped on and around Tom Burts Hill. They wanted to know why it was happening and to look for a solution to stop this trend thereby making Tom Burts Hill into a lovely place for animals and people to enjoy together. They wrote letters to the council and made a number of trips onto the hill to collect litter. They received a letter back from the council who are going to work in partnership with us to help achieve our goal.





Year 5 were worried about the dangers of some of the roads surrounding the school. They identified a particularly tricky junction on Desborough Road which we walk past on the way to our Christmas Production. They looked closely at how the junction is laid out at the moment and thought about what they believed would be a safer alternative. They set up a survey for local people to answer and then invited a member of the council to come and talk to them about their findings. One of our children spoke to the our newly elected MP for Wycombe at a hustings before the election and she agreed to come into school if she was elected!



Year 6 wanted to develop our school grounds to help others. They looked at the spaces available and worked hard to weed and clear the ground ready to plant. They researched different options of what to plant based on conditions and found out how to care for the different options. They decided to plant tomatoes, pumpkins, dahlias, freesia and gladioli. They were excited to see shoots appear and flowers start to come out. They took care of their plants by watering and weeding regularly. They set up a gardening club so they would have plenty of extra time to work on the project.

