



#### **Feedback**

Green Flag Award, 2025

# St Laurence Church Infant School

# Award Level: Green Flag Focus topics:





















### Your greatest overall success:

The way your school has woven environmental care into its ethos of "doing all things with love" is both moving and transformative. When sustainability becomes part of a school's culture, it sparks a shift that's visible in every corner, from the playground to the classroom to the conversations children have.

#### We also loved...

- You have chosen some interesting topics for your Action Plan. Focusing on biodiversity and sustainable travel like Walk to School Week is a brilliant combination—both nurture a respect for nature and support healthier habits. Watching wildflowers bloom and bees buzz while also seeing pupils energised and active on their school journeys makes for a more vibrant, eco-conscious environment all around.
- Having a Veolia educator visit each class to explore the journey of recycled materials brings the topic to life in such a tangible way. It's fantastic that this aligned with your Eco-Schools waste topic and helped set the stage for your new bin initiative—a perfect example of learning leading directly to action.
- Encouraging children to reflect on their role as "plant protectors" beautifully ties together themes of community, responsibility, and environmental care. It's not just about understanding the world—they're actively thinking about how to nurture it. This kind of reflection helps children see that their actions, like picking up litter, planting flowers, or recycling, can have a real impact. It's also a lovely way to build empathy, not just for people, but for the planet and all living things.

## Next year, why not try...

Continuing with biodiversity. This gives the perfect opportunity to layer even more creativity and learning into your curriculum. Incorporating projects like building bird boxes and bug hotels through a D&T lens is a brilliant way to bring sustainability into hands-on, skills-based learning. A small pond could become a magical mini ecosystem for exploring lifecycles, habitats, and water quality, and a sensory garden would offer a calming, inclusive space for all children to connect with nature through scent, texture, sound, and colour. It really feels like your outdoor environment could evolve into a living, breathing classroom.