

YSGOL RHIWABON
ECO-SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD TUESDAY 18 DECEMBER 2007

Present: Staff: Mr G Evans - Business Manager, Mr H Phillips - Assistant Headteacher (Chair), Mr W Roberts - Learning Support Assistant, Parent, Ms D Williams - Youth Worker.

Students: Callum Edwards Year 10, Ryan Powell Year 10, Jordan Potts Year 10, Robert Hughes Year 11, Kenneth Richards Year 12, Richard Wilkins Year 13.

Apologies: Mrs C Ballamy, Mr P Jenkins, Mr S Scourfield

- 1) Mr Phillips welcomed all present to the first meeting of the Eco-School Committee at Ysgol Rhiwabon, he also thanked students and staff for attending this after school meeting.
- 2) Mr Phillips distributed an information sheet "Eco-Schools: Some Key Questions". He explained the answers to the five questions below:-
 - What are Eco-Schools?
 - What are the Eco-Schools topics?
 - What does the programme offer Ysgol Rhiwabon?
 - What is the structure of the Eco-School process?
 - How do the Eco-Schools work?We are at the first stage in the process by establishing an Eco-Committee at Ysgol Rhiwabon.
- 3) Actions which had taken place so far this term were explained:
 - Mrs Ballamy had enrolled the school on the Eco-Schools programme, a plaque had been presented to the school to signify this and two copies of the "Handbook for Wales".
 - Mr Phillips had made two presentations to Year 12 Welsh Bac students on the Eco-School programme.
 - Mr Evans had held a meeting on the 18 October with the Bio-Diversity Officer for WCBC and Year 12 students.
 - A form had been distributed to Year 12 tutor groups and a cross-section of staff requesting feedback on eight topics (GE,WR,CB,PJS,SS,SLT).

Mr Phillips distributed a summary of the feedback received. Discussion took place regarding "What could/should we do?" There is evidence of much good practice already at Ysgol Rhiwabon. A vote was then taken on the three topics which the Eco-Committee will focus on in 2008; the three topics are:

- Waste Minimisation
- Litter
- School grounds

4) Action – Way Ahead

- Mr Phillips to devise a questionnaire requesting feedback on the three topics from each tutor group.
- A display on the Eco-School programme to be placed on a noticeboard in the E corridor.
- Mr Phillips to arrange a meeting with Mrs Catrin Davies, Eco-Schools officer for North East Wales.
- Mrs Ballamy/Mr. Phillips to attend a workshop "ESDGC and the Secondary Curriculum" on 21 January 2008.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2008
3.10 – 4.10 LIBRARY

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14 January 2008

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