



# Penilee Nursery School

## Eco Policy

### Rationale

'At the UN Conference on Environment and Development (Rio Earth Summit) in 1992, a need to involve young people in finding solutions to sustainable development challenges was identified.'

'Keep Scotland Beautiful is the leading provider of sustainable development education initiatives in schools, encouraging action and behavioural change by young people which will leave an enduring legacy for Scotland; it is part of its work to help make Scotland clean and green, today and tomorrow.' Eco Schools Scotland

The intent of this policy is to provide clear guidelines for staff, to ensure that the same approach is employed by all and to inform all parents/carers. Also we aim to ensure that all children at Penilee Nursery school develop an awareness of the importance of eco issues and how they can best help the whole world and the community that they live in.

### Aims

At Penilee Nursery children will be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of Eco issues and ways in which they can help our local community and world.
- Be involved in a wide range of eco related topics and experiences.

### Responsibilities/Resources

At Penilee Nursery all staff will:

- Provide a wide range of eco experiences and activities that will support children to develop an awareness and understanding of the importance of sustaining our world.
- Interact appropriately with all children to extend their learning, development and understanding of eco issues and how they can help.
- Raise awareness of eco issues and the benefits of being eco to both parents/carers and children.

At Penilee Nursery the management team will:

- Be responsible for providing appropriate training for staff in Eco practice.
- Contact any other agencies who may be able to assist with supporting us develop and implement Eco initiatives further.
- Support new staff and students in implementing this policy and employing the guidelines for appropriate Eco practice.

### **Record Keeping**

The staff will ensure all relevant eco related evidence is displayed and then stored within our Eco folders and filed in children's individual folders.

### **Evaluation**

Penilee Nursery School's Eco policy will be evaluated with reference to the guidelines provided by Glasgow City Council, Eco Schools, The Scottish Executive and Care Inspectorate.

### **Review**

Penilee Nursery School's Eco policy will be reviewed as part of the Nursery's Self Evaluation cycle. It will also take into account any new recommendations from Glasgow City Council, Eco Schools, the Scottish Executive and Care Inspectorate.

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