

Climate Education Group - exploratory questions about current practices related to Climate Action

This survey was presented to 12 primary schools and nurseries during a CEG (Climate Education Group) meeting, following a discussion around the climate agenda within the school curriculum.

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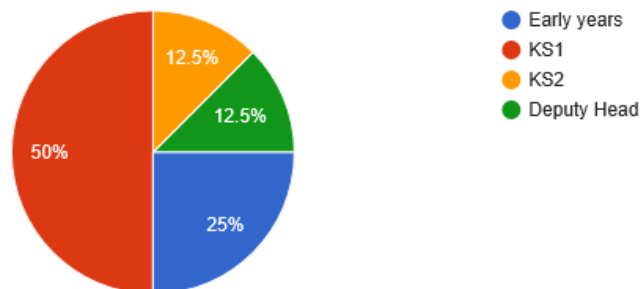
1- Outdoor Learning and resources (we will use this information to develop worksheets and link resources)

2 - Food and Waste Management (an opportunity for a number of schools in H&F to receive support and participate in a pilot project around food waste).

If you have any question please get in touch with: diana.edgecombe@lbhf.gov.uk or michelle.rebelo-hf@lbhf.gov.uk

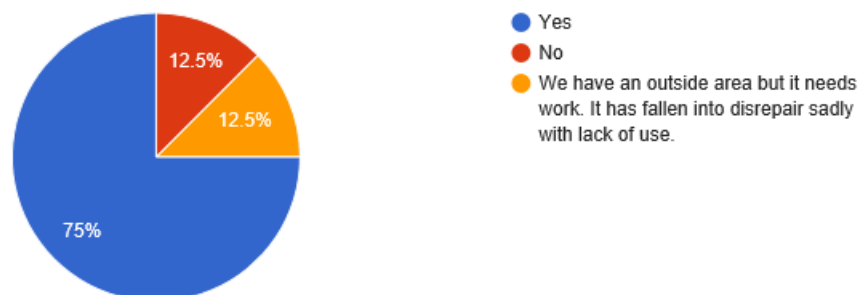
1. Are you?

8 responses



2. Do you have an outside area with resources? If your reply is NO - please go to question 5

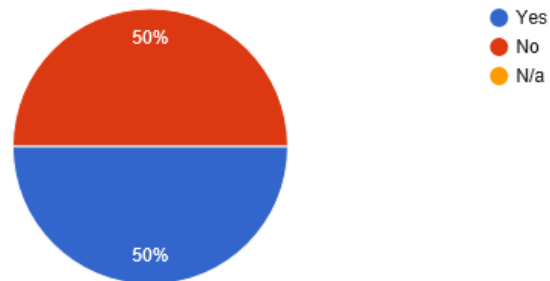
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3. If so, do you grow fruit and vegetables?

8 responses



4. If you responded yes to the question above: which produce grows well?

3 responses

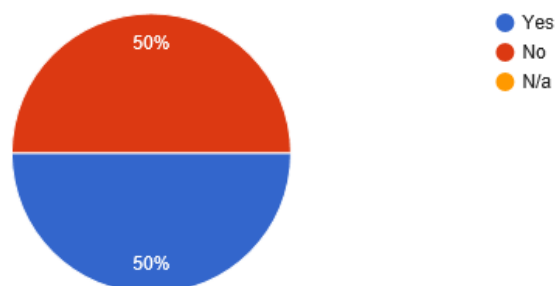
tomatoes, strawberries, lettuce, herbs, potatoes

Mainly herbs, our wildlife garden is looking more wild than garden at the moment due to lockdown and foxes!

radish, lettuce,

5. Do you have a mini beast area where children can explore small living insects, etc.?

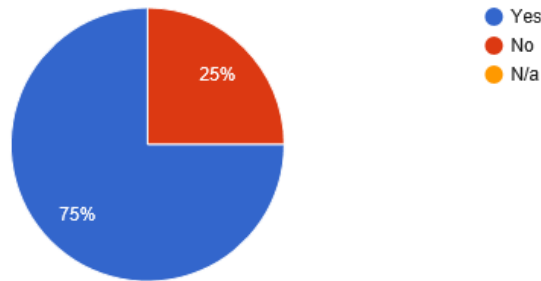
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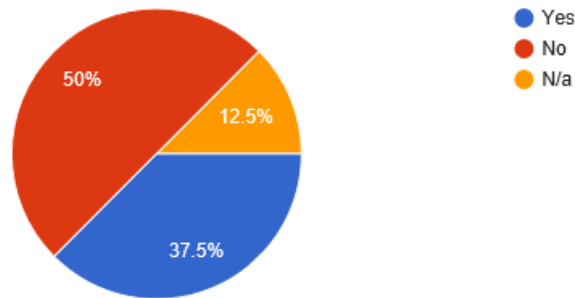
6. Do you regularly take children on trips to the local park or outside area?

8 responses



7. Do you use any of the Forest School principles outside?

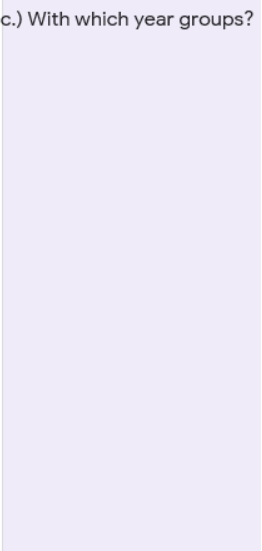
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8. Do you use an outside garden to develop children's learning (maths, geography, science, English, etc.) With which year groups?

8 responses

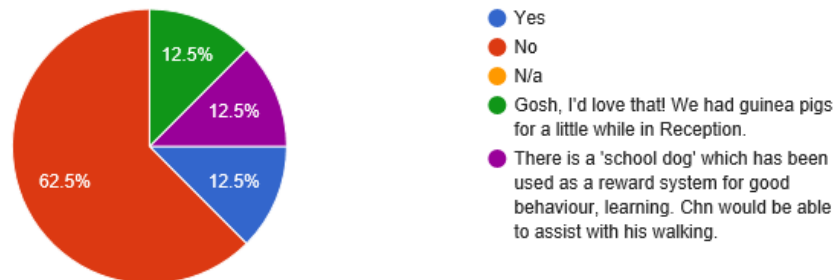
- We take children to the local parks and link the learning to curriculum objectives
- Nursery/Reception and Year 1
- yes - all but mainly EYFS and KS1
- yes
- Yes, mainly science and sometimes art. All year groups.
- no
- Across all the year groups
- Not yet.



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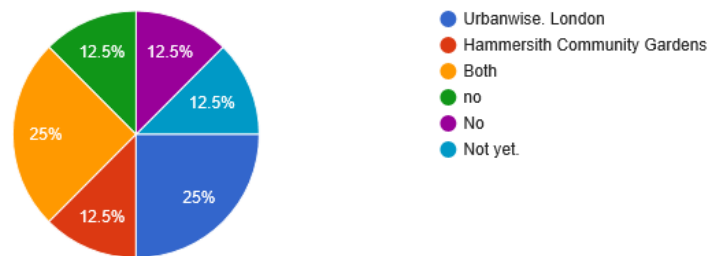
10. Does any class in the school have a class animal or pet to enjoy and study?

8 responses



11. Do you regularly check the resources on Hammersmith Community Gardens or Urbanwise's suggestions and lesson plans?

8 responses



12. Do you have any other plans for Climate Related Activities and outside learning?

8 responses

- Focus Weeks
- Hoping to get raised beds for growing plants at Forest School - We will contact Community Garden. Hoping to have an Eco week in Summer term where all children participate on a workshop or trip.
- Mindfulness & nature-based activities, planting trees, curriculum links, sorting out recycling/compost/waste, making energy supplier green/sustainable/renewable, becoming plastic-free
- not at present
- Planning a whole eco mini unit in Summer across the whole school. It will be a surprise for the children and we're going to decorate the gates with big props from the book 'We Are Here' by Oliver Jeffers.
- Yes. I want to appoint Climate change leaders for each year group or phase. I want to create a "environmental passport" for the children where they can evidence, share and celebrate their contributions. I want to have children create a film/stop animation/script to promote climate change forethought. I want to incorporate Greta Thunberg. I want to make stronger links across the curriculum that touch on different areas of the climate change challenge.
- further developing our outside spaces, creating a stimulating outdoor space where more outside lessons could take place on a regular basis
- No.

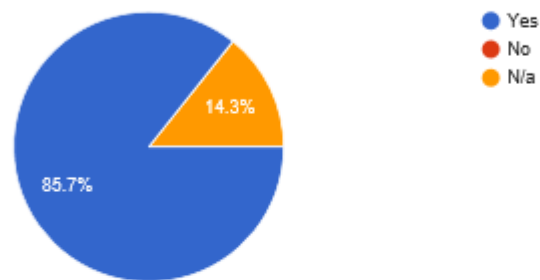
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Food and Waste Management Pilot

Schools interested in participating will be entitled to the following:

Are you interested in participating in this pilot project?

7 responses



Do you have any other questions, comments or concerns.

3 responses

I know one of the reasons why we haven't created a compost heap is because of the fear that it will attract rats/mice etc. Can I assume the anaerobic digester would mean this wouldn't be a problem? Is it possible to have the science behind this? I think the chn (and adults) would be very interested in how it works. Is there a way of including the chn with the set up/promotion? Strictly speaking this is linked to recycling, not food waste: although there has been some promotion for recycling at the school, all the rubbish seems to go into the same containers outside, do I need to be worried about where it all ends up? Many thanks!

What are the costs related to the food waste programmes once the 6 month free cost period comes to an end?

Sounds brilliant! Very exciting! I am so happy to be part of a borough that is so keen on improving and supporting schools to be more environmentally friendly. Thank you.