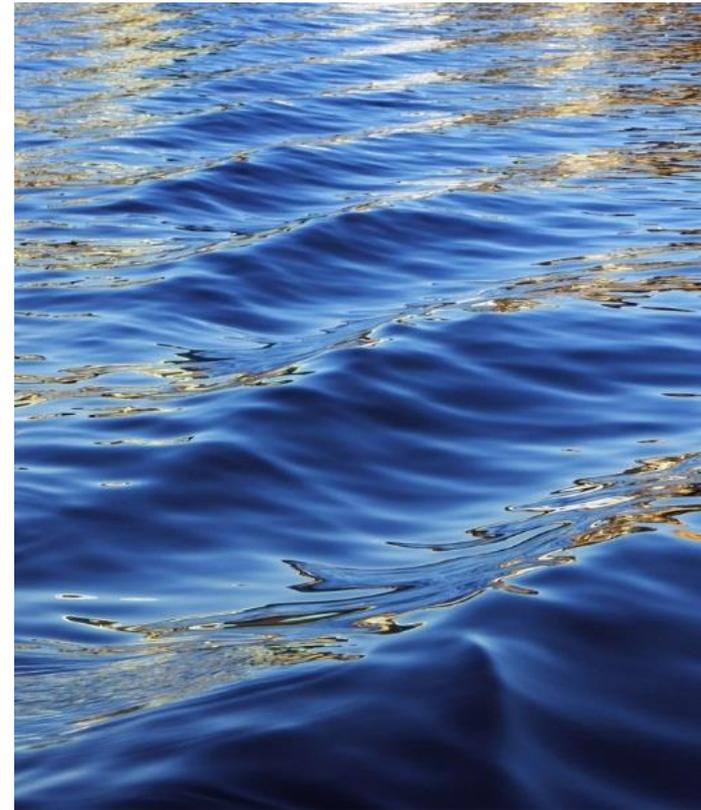




Celebrating Earth  
Day at Tudor  
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# Earth Day Facts

- On Earth Day, millions of people around the world celebrate the earth by finding ways to make small or big changes to help the environment.
- Earth Day is on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.
- Earth Day is an important day recognised around the world.
- Around 1 billion people celebrate Earth Day each year.
- The first Earth Day was held in 1970.

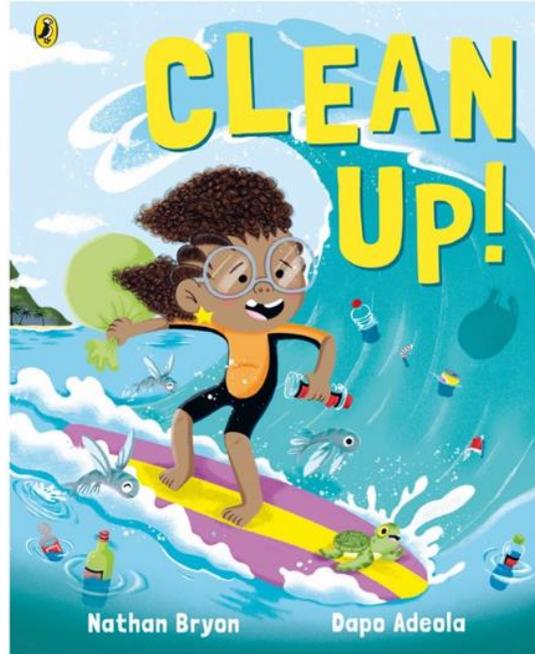
Earth Day has inspired people worldwide to act for a cause. For example, more than 100,000 people in China rode bikes to work in 2012. Additionally, 28 million trees were planted in Afghanistan on Earth Day 2011.



HAPPY EARTH DAY!

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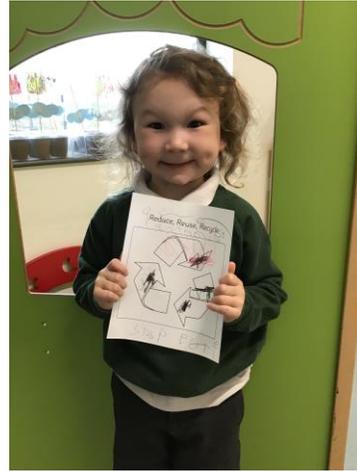
Hazel class read the story 'Clean Up!' and discussed the problem of littering and what happens when it gets into the ocean.



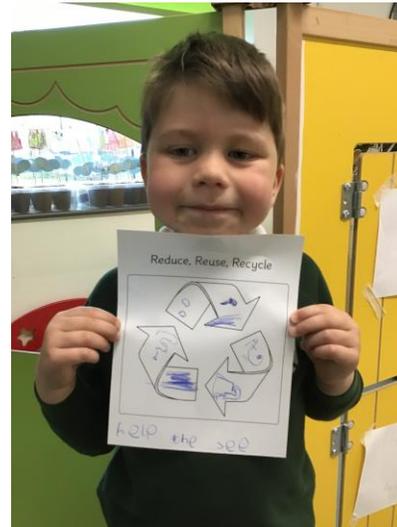
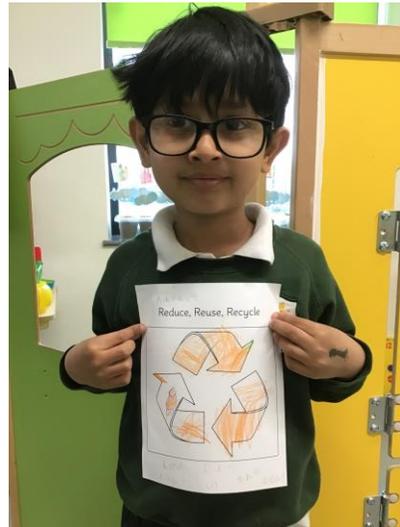
Did you know that when you throw plastic bags in the ocean, sea turtles get tangled up in them and can't swim properly. They also think that they are jelly fish and try to eat them!

We made sea turtles and jelly fish using recycled materials.

# Reception



We also made posters to tell everyone to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

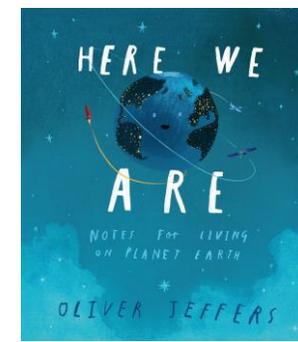


Do you reduce, reuse and Recycle?

Can you do more???

# Year 1

Willows read 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. A book that is a guide to living on Earth with kindness, tolerance and environmental responsibility.



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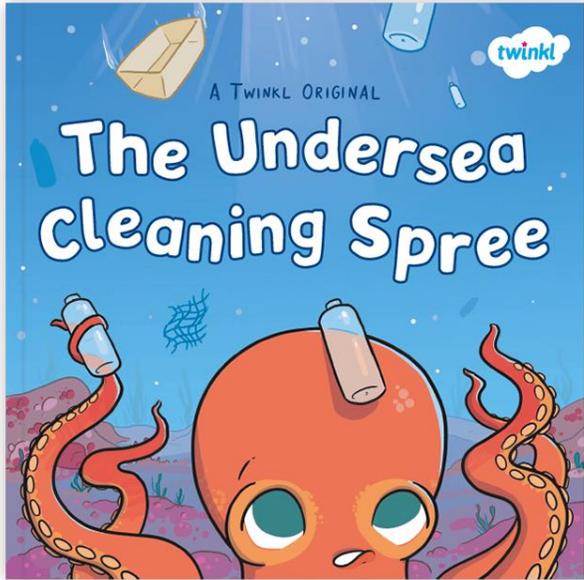
We then worked as a whole class to write an acrostic poem about what we can do to help make Earth a better place for us to live, and people in the future to live.

# Year 1

We discussed how we can recycle and reuse plastic for other purposes, such as creating artwork.



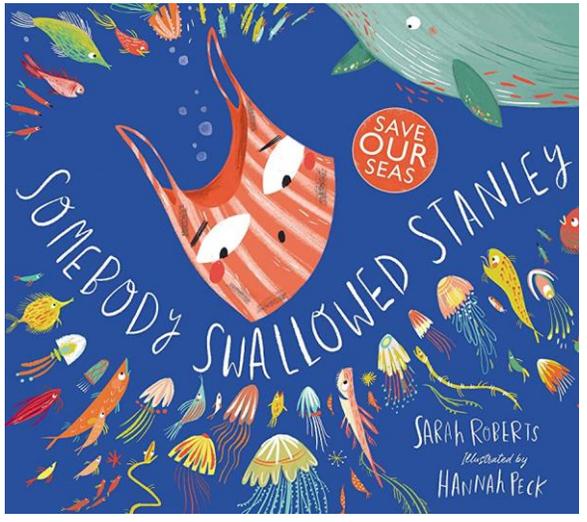
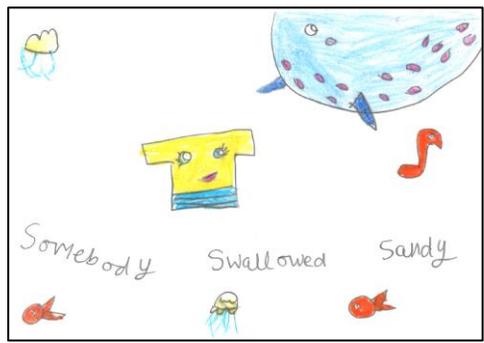
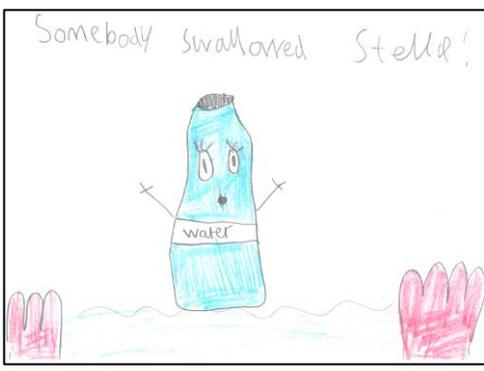
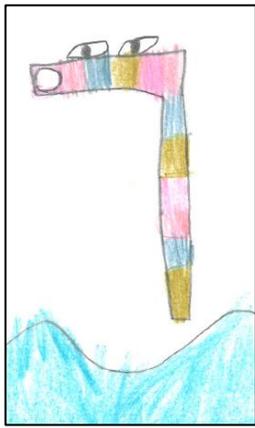
The focus of Willows Earth Day celebrations this year was cleaning litter from our oceans. To support our thinking, we read 'The Undersea Cleaning Spree', featuring Blub the octopus.



Here is our own Blub the octopus, collaged using plastic collected by the Year 1 teachers. It will be put up in school to help us remember to recycle our plastic, and the impact on our planet if we don't recycle.



# Year 2



Year 2 read 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley' by Sarah Roberts who is an environmental expert. This story is about a plastic bag who is mistaken for a jellyfish by different ocean animals and told us the story of the problems a plastic bag can create in the oceans. We considered the issue of plastic in our oceans and thought about the impact this. We then innovated this story to write our own 'Somebody Swallowed ...' stories and designed a front cover to go with them.

## Year 2

Birch Class also used plastic packaging and plastic bags to create their own jellyfish. We were all very shocked to find out that scientists predict that every seabird and turtle on this planet has plastic in their stomachs.



# Year 3



For Earth Day, year 3 had lots of fun making biodegradable glitter out of paint and flaky salt.

They loved creating various colours and were happy to know that the glitter cannot harm any sea creatures. We used our glitter to make rainbow fish!

Did you know? Normal glitter is made of plastic and can never degrade. The glitter can get stuck in fish's gills and make small holes which can seriously harm them! These are called micro-plastics and some of them can actually end up in the food that we eat!