

## Eco-Schools Award



The following is taken from the website <https://www.eco-schools.org.uk/about/eco-schools-green-flag-other-awards/>

**‘This is an international accreditation that has recognised and rewarded young people’s environmental actions for over 25 years.**

Applying for an Eco-Schools Green Flag is the perfect way to acknowledge, reward and celebrate the ecological achievements of young people. It clearly demonstrates that their hard work is appreciated and it provides them with the confidence and motivation to continue actively engaging with environmental issues now and throughout their lifetimes. It creates the next generation of innovative, inspirational environmentalists and tells local communities that a school, college or nursery is forward-thinking and actively engaged in protecting our planet.’

We have beautiful grounds here at Avanti Park along with thriving Gardening and Eco Schools clubs. The environment is a very important topic, and we seek to embed a deep respect for the natural world by giving the children many opportunities to learn more about it.

At Avanti Park, we seek to promote an interest in all things ‘eco’! The idea behind the Eco Schools Award is that the children will take a strong lead in promoting and carrying out different activities to improve and engage with our grounds and the natural world beyond. We have regular Forest School sessions in a dedicated space within the grounds for all children where they continue to appreciate and respond to the natural world around them. Activities include teambuilding, games and creative sessions where they use the natural resources found in the school grounds to make beautiful things. We have an action plan which gives us a road map towards gaining a green flag award. This will show that the school has successfully empowered our young people as we introduce and lead environmental actions and education in our school.

For more information, please visit the Eco Schools website, link above.