This term, the children have been exploring the theme of environmental change with a topic entitled: ‘Change is there a choice?’

**Sustainability**

As geographers, the children have learnt to use many technical geographical terms and have been confidently identifying what a biome is and locating them on a world map. They are also looking at the environmental features of a biome and identifying how we can preserve these for the future. The children have also identified threats to these biomes and future alternatives.

The children have then furthered their knowledge of environmental change and preservation and linked it to the relevant ‘Global Goals’. The children have investigated global goals 7 and 11.

The children have used the information gathered to write persuasive leaflets, advising and encouraging people in our local community to use greener energy.
Eco House Designs

Finally, the children have used all of their new learning to design and make eco houses. They have learnt to draw them using sketch up, created front and side elevations, re-sourced materials and lastly created scaled models.

Maths

The children have been working hard learning about percentages, how to write expressions algebraically and how to calculate the area, perimeter and volume of 2d and 3d shapes.

English

The children started the theme with ’A Tower to the Sun’ by Colin Thompson. They used it to investigate environmental issues and predict what the world might look like in the future if we don’t protect the planet. As writers, the children have innovated the story and wrote their own versions, such as ‘A Bridge to the Moon’. The children have also read an extended text called ‘The Last Wild’. They have used the author’s style and recreated this in their tension and suspense writing by writing an alternative ending which contains letters, instructions and newspaper reports.
The children had a visit from a pair of Coventry Magistrates. They learnt about the role of a magistrate and then took part in a mock trial. The children played different roles and had to decide on a verdict after listening to all the evidence.

After winning their first heat, the children attended the Coventry Athletics Plate Final. They were brilliant ambassadors for our school and although we didn’t win overall, we were very proud of the children’s effort, resilience, collaboration and sportsmanship.

The children all got involved and took the whole thing very seriously. They all agreed it was a worthwhile experience!

This term, the children have improved their co-ordination skills, core strength and ability to work in a group through our street dance unit. The children firstly learned and refined the individual movement components to ‘Sax’ by Fleur East, before adding using their knowledge of the beat and different movements to create their own sections. A lot of the children discovered something new that they enjoyed,