

PTO Eco Committee Newsletter

FALL 2022



Who We Are . . .

The Eco Committee works with students, parents, and the school community to inspire the next generation of environmental stewards by reconnecting students to nature and supporting projects that restore natural habitats and reduce the school's carbon footprint.

SUSTAINABILITY SPOTLIGHT: MR. YEE

Last Spring, Mr. Yee led the first Eco Enrichment Class at the school. Students in grades 1-4 planted native wildflower seeds and transformed a section of schoolyard into a pollinator garden. The garden is now officially recognized as a National Wildlife Federation (NWF) Certified Schoolyard Habitat site. It provides food (nectar), water (bird bath), cover (foliage), and places to raise young (butterfly house) to birds, butterflies, and other wildlife. We are thrilled that Mr. Yee will be leading a second Eco Enrichment Class this Fall. Students will observe seasonal changes in the garden and learn all about the wildlife it supports!



Special thanks to Professor Will Heyniger of Kean University who kindly offered his time and environmental expertise to assist in our efforts to establish the garden.

FALL ECO TIP

Turn the key. Go idle free.



When parked cars stay running (idling) they exhaust air toxins that harm kids and the environment. Idling for more than ten seconds wastes more gas (\$\$) than restarting your car. Please turn off your car when parked at drop off or pick-up. Walk or bike to school to further reduce your carbon footprint.

Friday, October 14th is Bike or Walk to School Day.

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