St John's Menston Eco church group - April update

February 2023.

Planting an apple tree in the churchyard, kindly donated by Gwyneth to mark the arrival of her great grand-daughter in October 2022.

The group has had a busy few weeks: tree planting; running a family eco quiz, a visit to the Leeds RERF facility and an Easter Workshop for families.

March 2023

The family eco quiz on 18th March pitted five teams against each other on rounds such as musicals and climate connections, flower ID, bird calls and a duplo challenge on the carbon footprint of households in Menston. Veggie food was enjoyed too!



Carbon footprint of a Menston household is 21. The GB average is 16!

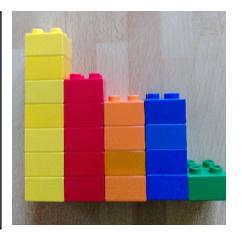
Yellow = goods/services 7.8

Housing = 4.9

Food = 4.7

Travel = 4.1

Waste = less than 1.





April 2023

4th April saw a group of 11 visit the Recycling and Energy Recovery Centre in Leeds.

We learned that all Leeds domestic black bin rubbish is brought here, sorted for metals and then burned to heat water into steam that creates renewable energy for homes in

Leeds as well as the district heating scheme - Leeds PIPES. The ash waste is used for road aggregate.

A fascinating visit- now we need to research what happens to our rubbish in Menston.

April 2023: Easter Saturday.

Bee and bug hotels were constructed, seeds sown, potatoes planted and the Easter Garden made by various families.

