

# Wilder Kent Committee



## What is a Wilder Kent Committee?

The Wilder Kent Awards is a pupil-led, collaborative process which requires whole school buy-in to achieve lasting and meaningful success. By setting up a Wilder Kent Committee, you will be ensuring that pupils are the driving force behind the change.

The Wilder Kent Committee will take the lead on the school's actions towards the Wilder Kent Awards and will be made up of pupils from each year group, as well as teachers and parents. Where possible, committee members should be elected by the school and should hold a passion for wildlife and the environment and a determination to help create a Wilder Kent.

The Wilder Kent Committee should be designed to meet the individual circumstances of your school and could form part of an existing school council or eco-club. The structure of the committee is again up to you: you could nominate a Wilder Kent Champion, someone to lead the committee and drive it forward, or you could create a range of roles to suit the needs of your school, including but not limited to a recycling champion, an energy monitor, a wildlife survey team or litter monitors. The list of possible roles and responsibilities is endless.

## What does a Wilder Kent Committee do?

One of the first jobs of the Wilder Kent Committee will be to carry out a whole school review using the Wilder Kent Awards booklet to understand what the school is already doing towards the award. You may be surprised to learn that you're already doing lots of fantastic work!

Having assessed what is already being done, the next job for the Wilder Kent Committee will be to identify what areas the school needs to focus on next. By reviewing the Wilder Kent Awards booklet, the committee can come up with a school Action Plan.

Having completed an Action Plan, and used the Wilder Kent Awards calendar to help plan out the year, it will be important for the Wilder Kent Committee to meet - we recommend meeting a minimum of twice each term.

During the meetings, the committee can discuss current and future actions, as well as keeping notes and sharing successes of past actions with the rest of the school.

It will be important for the Wilder Kent Committee to keep a record of the school's achievements. Written records and action plans, along with photo and video evidence will be needed to demonstrate the work your school has done towards the awards and will need to be submitted on **31st May 2024** along with the submission form.

### Committee to-do list

- Always refer to the Wilder Kent Awards booklet
- Assess what work needs to be done
- Create a school Action Plan
- Organise at least 2 committee meetings per term
- Record school achievements
- Always take photo and video evidence that demonstrates the work your school has done
- Submit all evidence by the 31 May 2024



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