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Dear Parent / Carer,

Unfortunately, due to the lack of interest, we are unable to run an after school club with Arg (AP Coaching) next term. We have had to subsidise the club from our school budget this term and this is not sustainable.

Mrs Scotter is hoping to run an Eco after school club next half term, on Wednesdays 3.30 – 4.30pm, however this will only be able to go ahead if we have a minimum of 12 children. The cost will be £15 for the half term (6 sessions). Please can you email the school office info@ryhopeinfantschool.org.uk by **Thursday 29th March** to register your interest. Mrs Peacock will confirm as soon as possible whether we have enough children for the club to run.

Please find a little bit of information below from Mrs Scotter about what she is planning to do in Eco club.

- *In the Eco club, we plan to learn about how to help the planet! This could include reducing our carbon footprint by taking small, manageable steps in school and our homes.*
- *Making posters to make people aware of not wasting water and electricity.*
- *Learning how to reuse and recycle materials and items to reduce our waste.*
- *Participating in activities like sowing seeds for indoor classroom plants (which will increase our oxygen levels and boost our mood) and sowing seeds for a herb and vegetable garden. (these will be taken over by the gardening club the term after).*
- *Foraging elderflowers and making our own elderflower cordial.*
- *Learning about the medicinal properties of dandelions and possibly making something with them.*
- *Making our own lip balm using only natural ingredients.*

Some activities will be weather/seasonal dependent, but the Eco club will encourage your child a few steps further into understanding less waste and more self-sufficiency.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs T Allen
Headteacher

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