



Old Park Primary School

Brunel Road

Malinslee

Telford

TF3 2BF

Email: oldparkprimary@telford.gov.uk

☎ 01952 387250 Fax 01952 387260

Headteacher Ms Mandie Haywood

Dear Mrs Allan MP,

Since returning to school, we have been engaging in project with the Centre for Literacy in Primary Education (CLPE). They have designed a unit of work around the fantastic book, 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. The unit is designed to support children within our school community to re-connect with each other and re-engage with school life. Our whole school community has engaged with the project and each year group has created a display board in our entrance corridor to celebrate their work.

In Year 6, one of the tasks was to consider the positive changes to the environment that we saw during lockdown. We looked at positive changes in both our local community and around the world. Following their research, the children were asked to write a letter to their local MP about these environmental gains and make recommendations to guard against further climate change.

Please find enclosed a selection of letters from our Year 6 children on the subject of climate change.

Thank you very much for taking the time to reply to our tweet on your Twitter feed, the children were very excited to see your comment.

Kind regards,

Old Park Primary School Year 6

Old Park Primary School,
Brunel Road,
Malinstee,
Telford,
TF3 2BF

Lucy Allan MP,
RBR House,
Hawthorn Road,
Telford,

TF2 9TU

5th October 2020

Dear Mrs Allan MP,

When theres no beautiful, clear sky; when theres no bright, green grass; when the world is deserted; then you will know the government was too late. I am writing this letter to persuade you and your colleagues to help save this beautiful planet. During the long months of lockdown, the world came to life. Flowers began to flourish in many new places. Scientists noted that the world became clearer.

As the next-generation, It is our job to look after this planet and keep it safe.

Did you know, due to the cancellation in air travel there was a 23% decline in air pollution? Local citizens have noticed a drop in air and water pollution. People have also spotted animals in backyards, like hedgehogs, badgers, and foxes being brave. In Northern India, citizens are seeing the amazing view of the Himalayan Mountain Range, which has been hidden by air pollution for over 30 years! In Venice, Italy, water quality became clearer and less grey and brown. On daily walks, I was enlightened to hear birds singing loudly and animals running about. This improved everyone's mental health. It lifted people's spirits in which would have been a very stressful time. There is no doubt that this is a very positive step and measures need to be implemented to maintain and further this.

To fully understand the significance of this problem, we need to look at the global picture. Never have we seen wild boars come from the mountains and to the streets of Spain. Never have we seen a puma in Santiago re-claiming their land. People were left in awe. Pollution in China has dropped by 25% in carbon emissions, which has helped the sky and the cleaner air for people with

lung conditions. Sadly, if we don't act now our world will die. Therefore we need to act to make a difference.

Mrs Allan MP, as you can see by my arguments that this is a vital matter. Do you not agree that sharing this matter with your colleagues would be amazing, amazing for children, adults and the whole world? Time is running out. Act now. To save the environment and the future. Thank you for taking your time to read our concerns. I look forward to hearing back from you.

Yours sincerely,

