



# Great Marlow School

---

Bobmore Lane  
Marlow  
Bucks  
SL7 1JE

Tel: 01628 483752

[info@gms.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:info@gms.bucks.sch.uk)  
[www.gms.bucks.sch.uk](http://www.gms.bucks.sch.uk)

**HEADTEACHER:** Mr K Ford

20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

As we near the end of a half term, I wanted to write to you with an update on the Eco Team's Developments. In June of this year, with the support of Softcat & Wild Marlow, we reinstated the pond. This has dramatically improved the biodiversity that is now seen around the school. The redesign of the pond was part of a Year 9 Science project and has flourished since the chosen design was put into action. You can watch our timelapse video of the installation day on the school website.

The development of this project is still ongoing; we now aim to make our pond area accessible & inclusive for all students. The pond will be used by departments, as well as our mental health team, for an area to reset. To achieve our goals, we need to add ramp access and a decked area that stretches across the pond, to allow for the science department to go "dipping", testing the PH levels, and for the students to take a closer look at the wildlife that now resides in our newly developed area.

The cost of the decked area alone is a staggering £6,000. We are working tirelessly approaching companies for support and making applications for grants/charity fund, to no avail.

I am reaching out to the wider community of Great Marlow School to ask if anyone could support with donation of materials, providing occasional labour or expertise to our amazing cause.

If you feel you can contribute to this valuable addition to our school, we would love to hear from you.

You can also find our donation link available through WisePay – Simply look for the Eco Group. Every donation will help support our amazing group of 46 students in their endeavours to put Eco at the forefront of everything we do.

As always, thank you for your continued support to Great Marlow School.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Yours faithfully

**Miss R Addy**  
**Eco Lead**