



Case Study Tidy School Awards Newcastle upon Tyne

Marmax Products are pleased to be a Partner in the Enviro Schools Awards Programme set up by Newcastle City Council. This environmental education programme encourages pupils to be litter conscious, environmentally aware and socially responsible. Improvements to schools' grounds such as having environmentally friendly areas are also an important aspect of the programme. Alistair Wilson, Enviro Schools Programme Co-ordinator, took us to see how schools had benefited from the programme. We were very impressed, both by the gardens themselves and the enthusiasm of all concerned.



At Archbishop Runcie School we were shown a Gold Award winning garden. Marmax Products had helped Head Teacher Mrs Julie Robson to plan the seating and our furniture is now both somewhere to sit and an example of recycling in action. The children can see how the waste plastic can

be used to make attractive and useful products. Here Junior Reston Seats, Junior Sturdy Benches and a Beamish Tree Seat were chosen and designed to fit the children who use them. A quick wipe down when the weather improves and they will be ready to use again.



Although it was February and the garden was in its dormant winter period and covered in crisp white snow, we were able to see clearly how the different areas had been created. Mrs Julie Robson, showed how recycled material and environmental issues had been incorporated into the scheme. The children were

making their own compost and using water collected on site to grow vegetables. They had eaten their own potatoes and sold surplus vegetables to parents. Usually low maintenance is our most important feature, but in this case, the fact that the plastic was recycled won the day.