

Sharing ideas on how to improve our wildlife area.



Elm Class were the only ones who had the chance to discuss this in Class Council, so it was opened to the School Council for their ideas:

The majority of the children wanted to change the name of the wildlife area from The Zone, as they said this did not really reflect what the space was used for. Suggestions were:

- Wonderful Wildlife
- The Wildlife Home
- Wildlife Wonderland
- The Garden Centre.



Suggested improvements:

- Wildlife area wardens. Not for supervising at break times, as the old Zone Wardens used to do, but to be in charge of watering plants and keeping the area looking nice.
- Bird boxes, feeders and nesting material bundles. Maybe each class could make one?
- A new bench, so people could sit and have a quieter break time.
- Litter pickers.
- Overgrown areas to be trimmed back and thorny plants to be removed.
- Lots of wild flowers to encourage bees and butterflies.
- Posters to show what sorts of wildlife to look out for.
- Bug hotels (perhaps made by the children?).
- Long grass cut to make a path, but the rest kept long to encourage wildlife.
- Piles of logs and leaves for hedgehogs.

The children would appreciate a message in an assembly, asking for people to stop poking sticks into the ponds.

They also wondered if fundraising could be done to help with some of the above expenses. It was suggested that next year's School Council fundraiser could be for our wildlife area, but they appreciated that would be up to September's council.

