

Record number of schools receive Green Fund grants

The Town of Caledon's Energy and Environment staff went full force encouraging Caledon schools to apply for the 2016 School Green Fund.

As a result, a record number of 12 applications were submitted ? which is almost half of all public and Catholic schools in town.

This year's recipients include:

- ? Alton Public School for their Atlantic salmon project;
- ? Caledon Central Public School for a water refill station;
- ? Ellwood Memorial Public School for a water refill station;
- ? Holy Family Elementary School for a water refill station;
- ? Herb Campbell Public School for an outdoor classroom project;
- ? James Bolton Public School for a garden space expansion and tree planting project;
- ? James Grieve Public School for bird feeders and a classroom plant project;
- ? Palgrave Public School for a butterfly and vegetable garden project;
- ? Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School for a waste minimization project;
- ? Southfields Village Public School for an outdoor classroom project;
- ? St. John the Baptist Elementary School for a water refill station.

The School Green Fund was established in 2012 to provide funding for schools in Caledon to support environmental projects that address issues related to climate change, which in turn supports the implementation of the Caledon Community Climate Change Action Plan and the Environmental Progress Action Plan Update.

The climate change action plan is comprised of actions aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions in a number of sectors within the Town's geographical boundaries. One priority action area involves educating students about climate change and the importance of reducing GHG emissions.