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Thank you for your letter of 11 February. It was heartening to hear about the steps your Eco-Committee has taken to reduce pollution in and around your school.

Congratulations on achieving an Eco Schools Silver Award and the Gold status for your school travel plan. You represent the future of this city and I'm pleased that you share my passion to improve London's environment.

I've been working hard to make London's air cleaner, especially for children and other groups of people whose health can be particularly badly affected. That's why I'm spending £750 million on cleaning up London's air. My plans include:

- Making London's famous red buses cleaner;
- Helping taxi drivers buy clean, electric taxis;
- Making cycling easier and safer with more cycle routes; and,
- Making drivers use much cleaner vehicles by introducing an Ultra Low Emission Zone in central London, 24 hours, seven days a week, from 8 April 2019 and expanding the zone to include the area around your school in 2021.

The plan I have put in place will almost halve toxic pollutants from vehicles driving in central London next year and it will reduce the number of schools located in areas with illegal air quality from over 400 today to zero in 2025.

In 2017, I launched the Mayor's School Air Quality Audit Programme and 50 air quality audits took place at primary schools located in the most polluted areas of London. I wanted to find ways to try to reduce air pollution in and around primary schools and children's exposure to it.

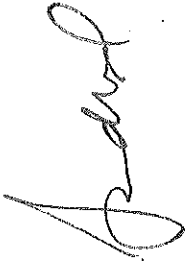
As part of this programme, we created a tool kit that could be used by other schools that want to do their own audits and find out how they can improve air quality. If you and your teachers are interested in this programme, you can learn more about it and the tool kit at: [www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/environment/pollution-and-air-quality/mayors-school-air-quality-audit-programme](http://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/environment/pollution-and-air-quality/mayors-school-air-quality-audit-programme).

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Finally, you can find out more about my work to improve London's environment on the City Hall website at: [www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/environment](http://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/environment).

Thank you again for writing to me and best of luck on achieving the Green Flag status.

Yours sincerely,



**Sadiq Khan**  
Mayor of London