

**Enviro-Speak- Living on the EDGE**  
**Year long Ecohog and Frog Initiative**  
 Bluevale's Environmental Club  
 Environmental Duty for a Greener Earth

Hey Bluevale, in today's blog we're happy to introduce you to **Helpful Hoppy** and **Pigsty Piggy**, this year's classroom audit mascots!

Brought to life by some grade eleven EDGE members, our animals were made using recycled items and paper mache. A whole-school competition was then held to decide a name for these two critters, and Helpful Hoppy the eco frog, and Pigsty Piggy the ecohog, came to be.



So, what exactly are these mascots for?

Every so often, EDGE club does a classroom audit, where we visit classrooms around the school and take notes on how green they are. We created a "report card" for teachers this year, so they can learn where they are doing well and where they need to improve in their classroom eco-friendliness. Some of the criteria on the report card includes waste sorted properly, lights turned off, and bonus marks for a sorting chart and G.O.O.S. (good on one side) paper bin.



Next, we compare the marks to find the best and worst classroom, and Hoppy and Piggy are put into action. Helpful Hoppy is awarded to the best class and stays in their homeroom until the next audit. He is a symbol of the classroom's success in being eco-friendly, and encourages them to keep up the great work. On the other hand, Pigsty Piggy stays in the messiest, least eco-friendly classroom. He's a reminder that they need to improve things and deal properly with waste, so their room doesn't become, well, a pigsty.

Room # \_\_\_\_\_      **Eco Report Card**      **Overall Mark:**  
*How Green Is Your Homeroom?*      \_\_\_\_\_ out of 5

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for...	Work to improve...
Waste in right bins	Waste in wrong bins
No garbage in desks/on floor	Lots of garbage in desks/on floor
Lights off	Lights left on
Recycling emptied (bins not overflowing)	Bins overflowing
Projector/Monitors off (if applicable)	Projector/Monitors left on (if applicable)
<b>BONUS</b>	Comments:
"What goes where" poster	
GOOS paper bin	

And there you have it! Be sure to look out for our new mascots around the school and in classrooms. If your homeroom gets Helpful Hoppy, then know that your class currently holds the title of most eco friendly at Bluevale. If you see Pigsty Piggy, don't worry- be sure to sort your garbage, tidy up, and as always, aim to be green.