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Dear Unity College,

Thank you for your 2015 Eco-Schools portfolio submission. It's always a pleasure receiving your file and getting to know your projects and initiatives a little better. Well done for your efforts this past year, we're so glad to award you your **Silver Award** for 2015! Congratulations!



Being the only special needs that we have in Gauteng we take much pride in the work your school undertakes. Your school is not only a pioneer but it is a beacon of hope in that it truly symbolises that the earth belongs to all who live in it and that it is the responsibility of all to care for the earth. It was quite an exciting experience to go through your portfolio, especially learning that polystyrene can build classrooms. Your portfolio is well presented and saves paper in that it is digital. It is also quite easy to follow what the school has done. It is good to see that you are following the 7 steps properly and the audit informed the theme that you chose in 2015.

Local and Global Issues: Your saving water and saving electricity project is very relevant especially coming from a year of load shedding that later got devastated with drought and water shortage. This project really connects you to the real world and is one that you should carry on next year as the world is connected to issues of dwindling resources and unrest.

Resource Use: Your recycling project looks wonderful and it is something that is both easy to sustain and to grow. We are anxious to see how this project is sustained and grown as you go for green flag in 2016. Perhaps you can look at upcycling i.e. how you can use something that is perceived as waste in new and innovative ways in a school action project.

Kind regards,

The WESSA Eco-Schools Assessment Team