

Welcome to Accrington Eco-Station!

Where is Accrington Eco-Station?

Accrington Eco-Station is a railway station on the East Lancashire line, which runs from Preston to Colne/Burnley Manchester Road.

It sits in the heart of East Lancashire!

What is an eco-station?

'Eco' stands for environmentally friendly.

Accrington is an eco-station because it has been designed to reduce its harmful effects on the environment.

Through careful design the building uses less fuel for heating and none for cooling; building materials were sourced locally where possible and water is 'harvested'. The building is also a mini power station, using the energy of the sun to generate electricity. This means less CO₂!



During building, showing our glulam beams!

What makes Accrington an eco-station?

Our station is full of special features that make it eco-friendly;

- Solar panels on the roof and in the car park produce up to 30% of the electricity needed at the station.
- Solar-heated hot water helps to keep the station warm.
- A water recycling tank that uses rainwater in our toilets instead of wasting clean drinking water.
- Recycled local stone from a quarry less than 3 miles away, which means less diesel was burned to get the stone to the station.
- Recycled crushed glass instead of sand for the stones to rest on.
- We used eco-concrete in the building, which is at least 30% recycled materials.



Some of our solar panels



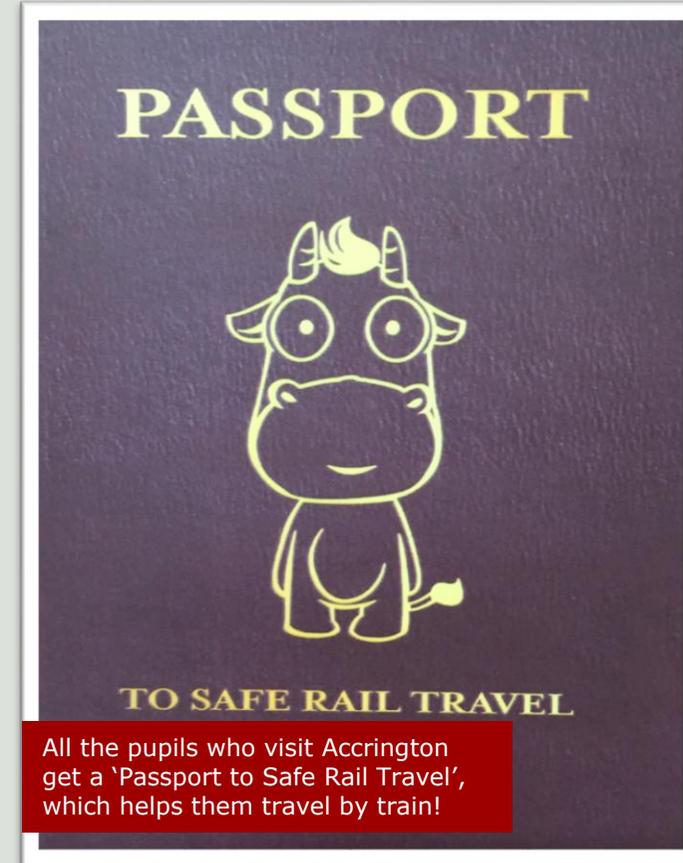
Did you know?

The kerb stones in our carpark are made of recycled plastic which is so light you can pick one of them up with one hand!



Before rebuilding

After rebuilding in 2010!



All the pupils who visit Accrington get a 'Passport to Safe Rail Travel', which helps them travel by train!

What do we do here?

We do lots of exciting projects at Accrington, and we do lots of work with children;

- We have children visit us to learn all about the history of the railway, railway safety and how to use the train.
- We plan art projects that decorate stations all over Lancashire with children's artwork.
- We help groups of people to look after the railway and the stations.

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www.downtheline.org.uk



Some of our amazing children's artwork at Cherry Tree Station!

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Did you know?
 All the water in our toilet comes from the rainwater tank!



Learning about sustainability at Accrington



We even made a book!



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