

Celebrating the Evergreen Ivy

One winter afternoon, our class went on a nature walk through the old woodland near school. The trees stood bare, their branches reaching to the grey sky like frozen fingers. But as we walked deeper into the woods, I noticed something different—it looked like thick green vines twisting around the trunks, their leaves shining green even in the cold.

“What is this plant?” I asked.

“That’s ivy,” our teacher said. “It stays green all year round and gives shelter to birds, and even helps insects survive the winter.”

I hadn’t thought much about ivy before, but now I saw it everywhere—climbing stone walls, curling over fences, and trailing along the ground. Inspired, our class decided to learn more. We made a project about how ivy helps nature, discovering that it provides food for bees in winter and hiding places for tiny creatures.

To share what we learned, we created an “Evergreen Corner” in our schoolyard, planting ivy and other winter-friendly plants. When spring came, we noticed more birds nesting nearby and butterflies fluttering through the leaves.

Standing in our little green space, I realized something—just like history, nature has its hidden protectors, and sometimes, the smallest things make the biggest difference.