

CHALLENGE ACTIVITIES

IMPROVE YOUR SCHOOL'S POSITION ON THE CHALLENGE LEADER BOARD

REDUCE PAPER USAGE

Limit teacher and office printing and photocopying. **5 POINTS**

Make sure your school printer and photocopier also print double sided, and that everyone knows how to do this. **5 POINTS**

Create scrap paper trays in every classroom. **5 POINTS** for each year group.

Organise a day when only scrap paper is used, (this can be more of a challenge for teachers than pupils!) **50 POINTS**

Ensure staff know how to save documents electronically, rather than printing off large amounts of paper. **50 POINTS**

Set out specific recycling bins around the school, each classroom should have one! **60 POINTS** per year group.

Offer parents the facility to receive text messages in place of notes home. **60 POINTS**

Offer parents and Governors the facility to receive emails rather than paper-based information. **60 POINTS**

REUSE

Reuse old display materials to form a new display or for arts & crafts. **5 POINTS**

Set up an arts and craft bin for all left over materials. **10 POINTS**

Arrange for empty fruit boxes to be sent back, and reused by the supplier. **25 POINTS**

Create your own Christmas decorations using rubbish you can't recycle, and use them to decorate the school Christmas tree. **25 POINTS**



Arrange a Bring and Buy or a Swap Shop event to save old clothes and toys from landfill. **40 POINTS** for each event. **BONUS POINTS** - score an extra **30 POINTS** if you invite your local press to attend!

Organise a competition to create sculptures from rubbish, (and please send us your photos!) **25 POINTS**

Use re-useable plastic bottles rather than plastic cups everyday. Instead of using plastic cups for every lunchtime and throwing them all away, why not try asking each child to use a re-useable drinks bottle. **40 POINTS**.

Make sure the staff room has reusable crockery rather than plastic cups and disposable cutlery. **40 POINTS**



CLOSE THE LOOP

Ask your office manager to start buying recycled products, i.e. paper, toilet rolls, pencils. Score **20 POINTS** for each product.

COMMUNICATE

Write an article for the school newsletter, telling parents what you've been doing to reduce rubbish and increase recycling at school. We'd love to receive a copy too! **20 POINTS** for each article

Design and display posters about the need to 'reduce, reuse and recycle'. **25 POINTS** for each design used

Have clear, easily recognised labels so that children know which bins are for litter, and which bins are for recycling. **25 POINTS**

Create an Eco notice board. This could include what can and can't go in the recycling bins and tips for reducing and reusing rubbish. **25 POINTS**

Hold a school assembly on recycling, led by the waste action group. **25 POINTS**. **BONUS POINTS** - we'll award you an extra **50 POINTS** if you invite parents to attend as well!

Deliver a presentation on recycling to groups of school staff such as the caretaker/site manager, cleaners, cooks and office staff and ask for their input in the school's recycling and waste activities. **25 POINTS** per presentation

Design and create a recycling or eco-themed board game, (and keep it safe to use on wet play days!) **50 POINTS**

Create an outfit using rubbish or old, unwanted clothing and show off your efforts by organising a fashion show. **50 POINTS**. **BONUS POINTS** - score an extra **50 POINTS** if you invite parents to attend!

Collect all the rubbish created at school over a day and display it in an area to highlight to pupils and teachers just how much they throw away each week. **60 POINTS**

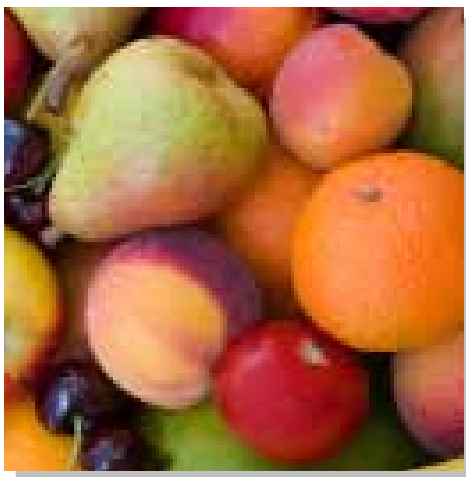
Create a recycling website, or add a dedicated section to your school's website to tell everyone what you're doing to recycle at school. Don't forget to send us a link! **60 POINTS**

Contact your local supermarket and ask them how they are trying to reduce packaging waste. **100 POINTS**

Sending us a completed feedback form after a visit from the Waste Education Officer. **20 POINTS**

COMPOST

Set up class composting system for your fruit waste. **30 POINTS** per class



Build or invest in a compost bin or wormery. **60 POINTS** for each one

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Sell your worm wee to parents as houseplant fertiliser! **100 POINTS**

Invest in a free compost bin available from us. **100 POINTS** for each one you use

Send us a photo of your finished compost in use. **100 POINTS**



TAKE ACTION

Incorporate recycling into school events, i.e. recycling bins at school discos and reusable crockery for the summer fetes. **25 POINTS** for each event per class

Enter a Recycle for Gloucestershire competition, look out for them on the website. **25 POINTS** for each competition entered

Recruit recycling monitors from each class. **25 POINTS**

Recycle your school Christmas tree, (but don't forget to take all the decorations off first! **40 POINTS**

Recycle your Christmas cards. **50 POINTS**

Organise collections of further recyclable material, i.e. printer cartridges, textiles, mobile phones. **50 POINTS** for each collection set up

Introduce waste free packed lunch days, make sure parents are aware and involved in the scheme. **50 POINTS**

Develop and send out a survey for parents to find out what they recycle at home, and display the results in school or put them in the schools newsletter. **50 POINTS** Send us the results for an extra **10 POINTS**

Set up an Eco-shop in your school for pupils, selling a range of recycled or sustainable items such as recycled stationery. **60 POINTS**

Sign up to a Recycling Collection Service. **75 POINTS**

Complete a waste audit, to see how much and what type of waste your school is producing. **80 POINTS**

Organise a waste action group. **100 POINTS**

Invite the Waste Education Officer into school as part of your campaign to raise the awareness of recycling. **100 POINTS** for each different workshop booked.



TAKE MORE ACTION

We are taking action on energy, water, travel, healthy eating and litter. **25 POINTS** each

