

Recycling and Waste Minimisation Policy

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We believe we have a duty to help protect the environment by ensuring the reduction of waste products generated within the school. We will promote appropriate strategies and actions to achieve this through developing a positive attitude to waste management with everyone involved with the school.

Aims

- To reduce the amount of waste generated by the school.
- To reuse as many items as possible.
- To recycle as many materials as possible.
- To purchase goods and materials that are manufactured and disposed of in an environmentally sustainable way.

Strategy

Role of the Head and School Personnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Head and all school personnel will reduce the amount of waste by:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ buying only what is needed;▪ using only what is needed;▪ purchasing goods with minimal packaging.• The school will re-use waste by:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ creatively re-using items safely to extend their life or for different purposes;▪ using durable products;▪ using refillable or returnable containers;▪ repairing or refurbishing broken or worn items;▪ purchasing recycled goods and products.
Materials to Recycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We will recycle:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ paper;▪ cardboard;▪ plastics;▪ cans and foil;▪ postage stamps*;▪ print cartridges**;▪ jewelry**;

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ British and foreign coins*. • Marked items may be collected for charities such as Guide Dogs for the Blind or CAFOD or the school • Waste food will be used in a composting and green waste scheme.
School Curriculum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will develop the school curriculum to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ include opportunities for pupils to study waste management and its impact on health and the environment; ▪ include opportunities for pupils to creatively explore and use ways to reduce, reuse and recycle the waste they generate.
Eco School Action Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recycling and waste management is a priority of the school's Eco School Action Plan.
Effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We believe this policy will be effective only if we ensure consistency across the school by regular monitoring.

Headteacher:		Date:	
Chair of Governing Body:		Date:	