

Note from the editors



Hello there! We are Ms. Guiney's third class from Bayside SNS. Welcome to our edition of Bayside's Green & Clean. This month it is all about Litter and Waste. We hope that you enjoy it and that you find it informative. Thanks for reading!

National news

We discovered some rather startling information...

- Ireland has a serious litter problem in urban and rural areas across the country.
- Between 80 and 90 million Easter eggs eaten each year, this is a growing issue. In fact, more than 8,000 tonnes of packaging waste is generated each Easter.
- Cigarette butts remain Ireland's biggest litter source.

On a positive note

- Last Easter, Irish residents recycled over 58,000 tons of waste.
- You can get an on the spot fine of €150 or €4,000 as

a maximum fine - Hopefully this will prevent people from littering!

Home Tips!

- Always pick up your rubbish and put it in the correct bin.
- Make sure you use a compost bin at home for food waste.
- Label your bins at home so that you know what goes where!
- Put all of your recycling straight into the green bin.
- Use compostable bin bags for your kitchen waste.



Green Fun Corner!

What do you call a high ranking soldier who hates recycling?
General Waste!

I called my local recycling centre about what to do with old batteries.
They said, they take them free of charge!

I'm trying to start a chewing gum recycling club
but I need help getting it off the ground!!!

I just started a new job collecting litter.
When I asked about training they said,
you'll pick it up as you go along!!!!

Police man: Sir, this is a park! Why are you dumping all your trash here??
Person: *It says "fine for littering"!!!!*

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Did You Know???

We researched Marine pollution and we discovered....

An estimated 50% of all life on earth is found under the ocean surface.

Sadly, much of the planet is swimming in discarded plastic which is harming animals and possibly human health.

150 million metric tons of plastic are in the ocean and 8 million more are added every year.

100,000 animals die from entanglement each year.



REMINDER!!!!

We are having a sponsored walk on the 21st of March in aid of the school courtyards. We have a gofundme page if you want to donate

<https://gofund.me/10819ce7>

Local News

We were so proud and delighted to hear that Raheny won the Pride of Place awards in the Tidy towns competition this year. Here is a photo to prove it!

Some of us also have committees set up in the estates where we live, who work together to keep our communal areas clean and litter free! This has been really successful!

Many of our families engage with the various community Freecycle pages on facebook. This ensures that many things which would have been thrown out, now find a new home and are reused.



Crafty fun!!!

Between 80 and 90 million Easter eggs eaten each year, this is a growing issue. In fact, more than 8,000 tonnes of packaging waste is generated each Easter. A way to reuse this packaging is to cut out the cardboard into Easter Egg shapes, design them, put a string through them and hang it up. You now have a recyclable garland for Easter!!!!

You can recycle the egg foil but only if you scrunch the foil into a ball the size of your fist, then you can put it in the green bin.

In our next issue we will be looking at energy!!



Green Challenge of the Month



Try your best to complete our monthly challenge

This month's theme is reducing litter and waste.

Challenge for **home**:

Use all household bins correctly – general waste, recycling and compost.

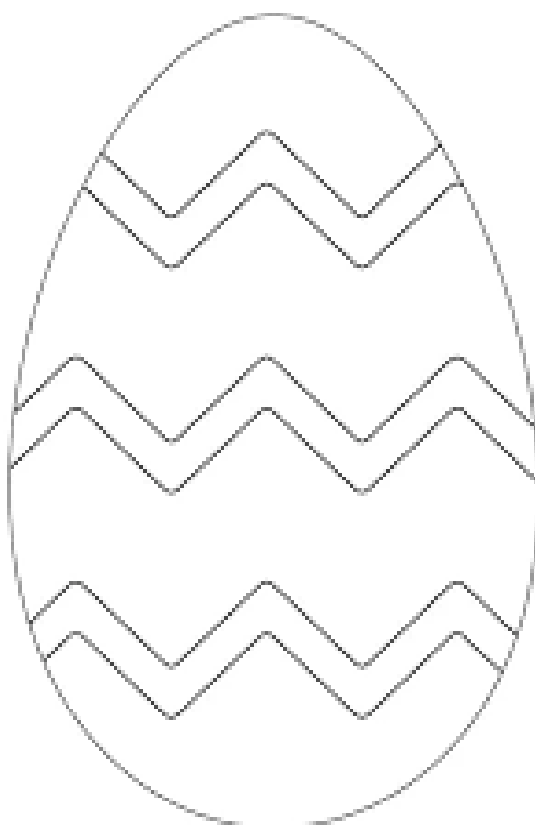
Challenges for **school**:

Fill up all of one writing copy completely with lots of subjects before starting another!

Green school competition: Make a piece of junk art with a theme of your choosing, using recyclable materials. Please deliver to Room 15 by the 24th of March.



Colour in this Easter Egg:



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