

Bayside's Green & Clean



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Theme Litter and Waste



Green Motto: It's Our Duty to Protect Nature's Beauty

Note from the editors

Welcome to the 1st bumper issue of Bayside's Green and Clean for Term 1, 2023.

The 6th class editors have been working really hard on this special bumper issue on the theme of **Litter and Waste**! This issue includes some really important tips on how to reduce, reuse and recycle.

What do these symbols mean??



Find out in the next issue.

National and International News

Plastic is a big issue when we talk about **Litter and Waste**. We can all help the environment by recycling and being able to tell what's recyclable. Some packaging isn't recyclable so it goes to a landfill (giant dumps for human rubbish) or to be incinerated. They may sound like good ways to dispose of waste and litter. However, there isn't enough land for use as landfill sites. Then when we burn litter or waste, it releases dangerous and toxic chemicals into the air.

Soft plastic used to be a non-recyclable item but plastic producing companies are beginning to fix that so newer plastics can be reused OR they can decompose more quickly and safely. Over the busy Christmas season of buying and gifting please, recycle soft plastic properly; check the labels for the recycle instructions.

Remember some can be placed in the Green bin!



Don't throw stuff on the ground!



Our Survey!

Hello again, we, the editors, did a whole school survey over a week in November, about who uses reusable bottles and who uses disposable bottles.

About 11% of the whole school still uses disposable bottles. 🤔 Which could be better.

But 89% of people use reusable bottles. 😊 Which is great!



Did you know?



It takes around 450 years for a disposable bottle to decompose!!!

This can happen if polluting plastics fall into the ocean



This is an image of a plastic ring from some packaging



A Lot of packaging is not recyclable, so try and use the least amount of packaging you can. Maybe you can stop using cling film or tinfoil. Some recyclable packaging is thrown into the black bin instead of the green bin

(Reminder: the **green** bin is for recycling and the black bin is where waste goes to be incinerated).

A full list of items that can be put in your recycle bins is available on www.mywaste.ie



To find out more about plastic free markets, shops offering refill options and zero waste events visit www.gozero.ie



Here are some top tips to reduce waste for a greener Halloween next year.

- Buy sweets with less packaging
- Try to reuse old costumes
- Use reusable trick or treating bags
- And don't throw things on the ground

Green D.I.Y. ideas for gifts next Halloween

How to make a paper bag Monster puppet

Materials: Paper bag, sheet of paper, a glue stick, a pair of scissors and a marker

1. Draw a pair of eyes on the paper(Amount may vary.).
2. Draw a mouth with lots of teeth.
3. Cut out eyes and mouth.
4. Glue the eyes and mouth onto the bag.

5. Voilà, you've made a paper bag Monster character



Green D.I.Y. ideas for gifts this Christmas

How to make a paper bag Turkey puppet

Materials: Paper bag, small sheets of white,red,yellow,brown,green recycled paper, a glue stick, a pair of scissors and a marker

6. Draw a pair of eyes on the paper(Amount may vary.).
7. Draw a mouth with lots of teeth.
8. Cut out eyes and beak.
9. Glue the eyes and beak onto the bag.

10. voila, you've made a paper bag Turkey character



COOL GREEN SCIENCE ...HAVE A GO

😬 Better Plastic 😬

Supermarkets use cheap, easy to buy plastic but that's bad so if you want to use good plastic why not make your own/!

How to make your own plastic. You will need water and potato starch. Follow these steps.

1. Add 15 g of potato starch to a 500 ml jug
2. Add 100 mls of water to the jug
3. Add 10 mls of white vinegar
4. Add 10 mls of glycerine
5. Add food colouring (optional)
6. Mix 2.5 gs of sodium bicarbonate and 30 mls of water, but don't add them to the Mixture yet
7. Mix the potato water on a stove until gluey substance forms
8. Add the bicarbonate and water now
9. Spread the mixture as flat as you can on greaseproof paper
10. Wait 2 - 3 days for the mixture to dry

GREEN JOKES 🤡!!!

- 1. MY FRIEND GOT FIRED FROM HIS JOB. I CAN'T BELIEVE HE IS GOING TO THROW IT ALL AWAY!**

2. CAN FOOD BE PUT IN THE RECYCLING BIN?

NO BUT A TIN CAN!!!!

PEOPLE OF INTEREST...



Who is Eamon Ryan? 10 Facts

1. He was born in Dublin 60 years ago.
2. He is Leader of the Green Party (Comhaontas Glas)
3. He studied Commerce in UCD. Later he began a cycling tourism company, Irish Cycling Safaris
4. He was founding chairperson of the Dublin Cycling Campaign
5. He tries to cycle everywhere-he even rides his bike to his job in the Dáil, Leinster House.
6. He is the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications.
7. He is also Minister for Transport
8. He believes that the whole forestry industry has to change.
9. He thinks Irish politics are opposing the reduction of plastic waste.
10. He has been a member of the Green Party for 40 years.



A very green Christmas to all our readers!

Wishing you all a greener and greater new year (2024)

Please recycle