### Kinver High School - Raising Environmental Awareness

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#### Project aims:

The aim of our project was to inform people how to be more environmentally conscious and encourage them to act by making small changes in their lives to reduce the impact that they are having on the planet.

#### **Outcomes**

The outcomes are that we have produced 2 different forms of informative documents to encourage people to make better decisions for the environment.

#### **Evidence of impact**

The responses we have received have been really positive. The first letter we wrote to parents was shared with all parents from the school. It also was shared on social media where lots of local businesses also responded to the letter.

The poster for teachers and students who print in school was also positively received. We have also noticed our teachers are starting to reduce the amount of printing. Miss Gilhooley and Miss Hawthorne have started using A5 rather than A4, which halves the amount of printing. Miss Butler and Miss Brookes have stopped printing DO NOW tasks which is reducing paper from 30 DO now sheets a lesson. There are copies of our poster next to all printers in school so that people think before they print.

Mr Harper has starter recycling paper in his classroom.

This work is ongoing and we meet every Friday lunchtime to consider new ways we can make an impact with this issue.

#### Importance of project

This is important as a school, a large institution there is a lot of paper wasted. Students and parents use items that are intended for single use, however our first letter showed them how they can make better environmental decisions.

# THE SOLUTION IS LESS POLLUTION! Think before you print

# DID YOU KNOW?

80,000 to 160,000 trees are cut down each day around the world

In the UK, we use 12, 000, 000 tonnes of paper every year

Deforestation adds 15% of CO2 to the atmosphere. More than the carbon usage of all EASY WAYS TO REDUCE YOUR PAPER USAGE.

- 1. Print sheets on A5 instead of A4
- 2. Print double sided
- 3. Reduce your font size
- 4. Use paper from sustainable sources
- 5. Print multiple worksheets on one piece.
- 6. E-mail instead of writing letters.
- 7. Cut unused paper out of books at the end of the year to use as scrap.
- 8. Recycle paper after use

Check your environmental impact on the school computers (with your computer details) to see your paper usage and how many trees have been cut. It also tells you the amount of hours you could power a bulb for, using the energy it takes to print them.







Dear Parents, Teachers and Students,

We are writing to you as representatives for 'Fridays 4 Future', our aim is to take action against climate change, pollution and to protect our environment. This notice contains a list of things you can buy, and swaps you can make to reduce waste and to be more conscious about the environment. We have included links to all the products so that it is easier to find them and buy them. We have also tried to find the cheapest option for the products, enabling you to get the most out of your money, without compromising the quality of the products. Please look through these items and hopefully make a few changes to your everyday products in order to help the environment. Also, if you would like these items but want to reduce wasteful packaging used in Amazon deliveries then 'Winnie & Olive' on Kinver High St sell a number of these items. Also, look out for 'Eco Maniax', a zero-waste shop opening in Stourbridge on 30<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Thanks!

P.S. you could also try making a few of these things yourself like the beeswax wraps, deodorant or makeup remover pads!

## o Metal straws (8) with cleaner

https://www.amazon.co.uk/HYDRATE-Stainless-Steel-Straws-

Reusable/dp/B07B4L35FG/ref=sr 1 2 sspa?keywords=metal+straws&qid=1572005980&sr=8-2-spons&psc=1&spLa=ZW5jcnlwdGVkUXVhbGlmaWVyPUEzRFM5S0VCMFJE0EJOJmVuY3J5cHRIZElkPUEwODMwNjE4MU9FNTBYWIVLVEU1QSZlbmNyeXB0ZWRBZElkPUEwNTExMTM5MzNRT0xVM0JVQ0dTSCZ3aWRnZXROYW1IPXNwX2F0ZiZhY3Rpb249Y2xpY2tSZWRpcmVjdCZkb05vdExvZ0NsaWNrPXRydWU=

- Bamboo toothbrushes (with bamboo cotton buds & plastic free dental floss)
   https://www.amazon.co.uk/BAMBOOGALOO-Toothbrushes-Toothbrush-Biodegradable EcoFriendly/dp/B07BVC7CHP/ref=sr 1 3?keywords=bamboogaloo&qid=1573661951&sr=8-3
- Toothpaste tabs
   <a href="https://www.anythingbutplastic.co.uk/product-page/denttabs-toothpaste-tablets-with-fluoride">https://www.anythingbutplastic.co.uk/product-page/denttabs-toothpaste-tablets-with-fluoride</a>
- Toothpaste jelly
   <a href="https://uk.lush.com/products/toothy-tabs-mouthwash">https://uk.lush.com/products/toothy-tabs-mouthwash</a>
- o Mouthwash tabs
  - https://uk.lush.com/products/toothy-tabs-mouthwash
- o Plastic free dental floss
  - https://www.plasticfreedom.co.uk/product-page/cardamon-silk-dental-floss-georganics
- o Shampoo bars & conditioner bars
  - $\underline{https://andkeep.com/collections/shampoo-conditioner-bars/products/friendly-soap-lavender-tea-tree-shampoo-bar}$
- Soap bars
  - https://www.tesco.com/groceries/en-GB/products/264249699?sc\_cmp=ppc\*GHS%20-%20Grocery%20-%20New\*\*\*264249699\*e&ds\_rl=1116019&ds\_rl=1116019&msclkid=7e8d617a9eab121ce3a23cb6aa9d945e&gclid=CMz0iMbS5-UCFRhjGwoddaMHvw&gclsrc=ds
- Reusable makeup remover pads
   https://andkeep.com/collections/make-up-wipes/products/washable-bamboo-cotton-round-make-up-pads-wash-bag-16-mixed-texture
- Stainless steel water bottle

Rechargeable batteries

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Varta-Ni-MH-Garden-Rechargeable-Batteries/dp/B00YXHH05Y/ref=sr 1 1?keywords=rechargabl+batteries&qid=1573667555&s=kitchen&sr=1-1-spell

o Biodegradable sanitary towels

https://alittlefind.com/collections/flo/products/bamboo-pads-with-wings-10-day-5-night

o Reusable sanitary towels

https://www.plasticfreedom.co.uk/product-page/reusable-sanitary-pads-x2-medium-wild-flowers-baba-boo