

# GREEN MAGAZINE



**The prestigious award is ours-we are proud to be A GREEN FLAG SCHOOL IT'S OURS. Look out for the flag pole. It will soon fly proudly.**

In this Edition read the articles on recycling by Jamie, Lucy and Calypso. Lucy's article is based on her experience on holiday of European recycling. Jamie has beautifully summarised the Mayor's views on recycling in the Borough, Calypso has written a witty article to make the younger children smile. Ella has compiled this Edition.

We hope as we launch our first competition that you will take part and get blinging !( Is that word in the dictionary Editor?)

How do you think a recycling logo should look? Please send us in any ideas.

We have been learning our three Rs at school REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE.

Three great ways YOU can eliminate waste and protect your environment! Waste, and how we choose to handle it, affects our world's environment—that's YOUR environment. We need to take an innovative and creative approach to waste.



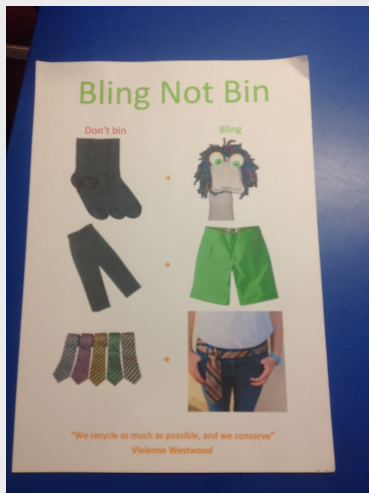
# BLING NOT BIN

## Look out for our display and posters

What would you rather do up-



cycle or throw away something which can be reused? Look out for our posters around school.



## Don't just throw away - think twice and recycle your clothes, with inspiration from non other than - Dame Vivienne Westwood

Dame Vivienne Westwood is a leading fashion designer but she also has a passion for recycling and up cycling clothes! Her advice is, "Don't buy any clothes for at least six months!" You can be more ethical in your fashion choices, buy things made out of recyclables or organic material.

Inspired by her ideas we would like you to enter our up-cycle your old school uniform competition. We'd like to see your sketches or innovative designs.

Year six are going to write to the designer to see if she can judge the most innovative design. The best letter will be delivered to her through a contact.

Please take part and be as creative as you can.

Entries by the end of the Easter holidays please label your design and old items of secondhand uniform are available to buy always in the second hand uniform shop.

# LOCAL RECYCLING MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR?

## Local Recycling

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**Mr Culverwell  
and Mrs  
Harper took  
Year Six to  
debate  
recycling in  
the  
BOROUGH  
with the  
Mayor.**

**The  
highlights  
have been  
summarised  
by Jamie  
Quantick**

In this area various things can be collected with your rubbish and be recycled. These include paper, glass, metal, plastic and food waste. Some things can't be recycled such as specialist phones and some metals, so it's best to take these straight to the dump. General left over waste that can't be recycled gets put in an incinerator and burnt, or buried in the ground, but neither of these is very good for the environment, so it's better to reuse or recycle where you can.

Paper is collected every week with your bins and is taken to a paper mill at Earlswood. It's then reduced to a pulp with the ink being extracted by rollers. More paper is then made.

Glass gets collected every other week and is taken to a glass factory in Earlswood. Here they melt the glass down and then reuse it. Melting the glass down takes less energy than making it in the first place, so it's more energy efficient and environmentally friendly to recycle than to make it new.

Plastic items go from your home to a factory where they are recycled.

Anything else from your mixed recycling bin goes on a conveyor belt and people who work at the Recycling Centre take anything else off that can be saved for reuse.

Other items such as clothes can be recycled by using the collection points which tend to be at places like supermarkets and rows of shops.

Lots of people feel that items aren't actually being recycled, but the Mayor of Reigate and Banstead wants to assure everybody that the Borough does properly recycle the items it says it does.

As well as being good for the environment recycling has also created jobs so it is good for local employment.

JAMIE QUANTICK - 6T

# A RUBBISH CONVERSATION

By Calypso Burger



## What did one bin say to another? Read on to find out!

In this concise article of Eco pages we have a load of fun in store including an interview with Perry the plastic bottle.

We all know about recycling. There's the bins for example. "I love recycling because it gives me a job," says A.Bin of 8 Bin Alley. "I hate recycling because all the recycling bins think they are soooooo important," says I.Stench, a food waste bin. "Well I think that if you don't agree with recycling you're talking rubbish," argues Mr Bin. Let's not listen to these bins any more and move on. "When I'm recycled I want to be Perry the picnic bench," says Perry the plastic bottle.



Now let's get back to the bins. "You're all stinky while I'm at the cutting edge of recycling," says A.Bin while I.Stench tries to shout him down yelling, "That's not true!!!!" "Yes it is!" Replies his neighbour. They are getting too argumentative so let's end this conversation before they explode and litter goes everywhere. (Not to mention the soggy food!)



# A EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE

## EU recycling

In The future the EU hope to become a recycling society that seeks to avoid waste and use waste as recourse. Right now 16 ton of material is used and 6 tons of that is wasted. Also we recycle 36% of waste.

## England recycling

Different processes are used to recycle different materials. The processing steps require to recycle paper, plastic and aluminium cans. In The UK we are improving but there is always work to be done.

## And more

When your travelling do look how different countries handle their recycling. It would be great if you could report back to the Eco committee and tell us about it.



## Cultural recycling- based on my trips into Europe at Half term.

### Greece

They say that in Greece by 2020 their recycling will improve by 60%. If this is to happen that could really boost the economy to do the same. Around Athens there are bright yellow bins for people to put their waste in unfortunately the people that live there and all the tourists don't use those bins. Therefore Athens is known for poor recycling even though the system is clever and would work well if the people cooperated.

### Holland

The recycling system in Holland is practically the same to ours in the terms that the trucks come out either in the evening or morning. However you don't see as many bins about. But generally it's good there.



# Bling It Not Bin It



Vivienne Westwood

Vivienne Westwood is a famous fashion designer who takes reusing clothes to a whole new level. How she does this is by using waste (obviously she would clean it first) and designing an outfit and use that material to make it. She would also use old clothes and make a bag for example or even a newspaper to make a skirt.

In our second term the Green Leaders and Mrs Harper will be holding a competition called Bling it not Bin it. We are doing this to stop people wasting good items when they could reuse them.

## Competition

In this competition we would like you to use some old Uniform that you wouldn't wear again and make something brand new like:

- A bag
- A hat
- A lead
- A tie And more.

The green leaders will be judging this and then we will choose the winner. Remember to be creative imaginative and have fun. However your parents can help you but get their permission on which clothes you use!