



Green-Schools Curricular Work

The following is a list of what we have done in our subjects to integrate Green-Schools into our lessons and class work



Topic	Subject	Class
A	Science, Geography, Learn Together	All
One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of Gambia – a picture book about repurposing plastic bags by African women	English, Geography, Learn Together	All (whole-school virtual assembly during lockdown)
Junk Art – repurposing recycled materials as part of Aistear	Art, Learn Together	Junior and Senior Infants
Reduce, Reuse, Recycle (song)	Music, Science, Learn Together	Junior Infants
Sorting items according to whether they are recyclable, reusable, biodegradable or for the landfill	Science, Learn Together	Junior Infants
Drastic Plastic – a song at the whole-school end-of-year assembly	Music, Science, Learn Together	Senior Infants
Science experiment – burying different items and then digging them up again to see which biodegrade after 4 weeks	Science, Learn Together	Senior Infants
Composting – learning how this works and looking at the school compost bins	Science, Learn Together	First Class
Drawing a compost heap – what would you add and what creatures would you see	Visual Arts, Science, Geography, Learn Together	First Class



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Creating Anti-Litter Posters	Science, Visual Arts, Learn Together	1 st Class
Understanding Plastics – science experiment with super absorbent polymers (SAPs)	Science, Learn Together	2 nd Class
Debate – discussing the positive and negative traits of micro plastics in the context of such uses as bandages and nappies	English, Learn Together	2 nd Class
Learning about plastics and recycling – identify which types can and can't be recycled locally and then investigate how long it takes for various plastic items to breakdown	Science, Geography, Learn Together	3 rd Class
Write a letter to a local supermarket calling for a reduction in plastic packaging	English, Learn Together	3 rd Class
Creative Schools Project – creating 3D creatures inspired by visits to Barna Woods using reusable materials with artist Kim Jenkinson	Visual Arts, Learn Together	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd Class
Using facts about plastic, create tab booklet games	English, Visual Arts, Science, Geography, Learn Together	3 rd Class
Survey on e-waste recycling with parents	Maths, Geography, Science, Learn Together	4 th Class
Writing letters of complaint to the Food Dudes programme regarding the excessive use of plastic packaging	English, Learn Together	4 th Class



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Learn about the issues related to e-waste recycling (environmental damage, low wages, toxins, overharvesting of minerals, etc.)	Geography, Science, Learn Together	4 th Class
Two-part 'Virtual Waste Workshop' with Galway County Council – impact of litter on the local and global level and its links with climate change	Geography, Science, Learn Together	4 th Class
Create anti-litter and waste-awareness posters	Visual Arts, Geography, Science, Learn Together	4 th Class
Persuasive letters to the Mayor of Galway regarding the extent of littering due to overflowing bins following a weekend of good weather in Galway and offering solutions and suggestions	English, Geography, Learn Together	5 th Class
'If we look after nature, then nature will look after us' - posters promoting the educational Movie made by David Attenborough – 'A Life on our Planet – 2020' - posters to encourage recycling and protecting natural habitats and promoting biodiversity	Visual Arts, Geography, Science, Learn Together	5 th Class
Examine the processes for waste sent to landfill, compost and recycling and draw diagrams of the process	Visual Arts, Geography, Science, Learn Together	5 th Class
Look at the pros and cons of using landfill and incineration and have a debate	English, Geography, Science, Learn Together	5 th Class