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Newsletter #8



Did you know that more than 1.1 billion inkjet cartridges are used around the world every year?

Think how much we could help protect the Earth if we recycled all of them...

We can even recycle damaged ink cartridges!



This was me, Becky, at *Let's Recycle Live* in 2019. I am really looking forward to getting back out to conferences like this to keep feeding back to you guys on how to keep our world a beautiful place!

This week we were thrilled to support The Environment Centre in Swansea to recycle 108 ink cartridges and save them from landfill sites in Wales. They made £21.32 to support their environmental work further.



Order Your School's Ink Bin at
www.theinkbin.co.uk/schools

Be sure to upload your photos and any other lockdown activities you have been getting up to and tag us on Facebook or Instagram

We can't wait to read...

Cathy Mear- Martin's first Eco Protection Squad book-

Go To The Park



The book follows Danny Do Gooder and Plastic-Free Prival as they make a huge positive impact in their local environment as it gets covered in litter!

"And I dream of the vast deserts, the forests, and all of the wilderness of our continent, wild places that we should protect as a precious heritage for our children and for our children's children. We must never forget that it is our duty to protect this environment."

- Nelson Mandela

THIS WEEK WE FOCUS ON RAISING AWARENESS FOR OUR NATURE...

The Creative Earth competition

Creative Earth is an art competition for people aged 16 and under from across the UK, run by the UN COP26 Climate Change Conference in collaboration with WWF.

As part of the Together for Our Planet campaign, young people are being encouraged to get creative and show global leaders the world they want to live in.

Whether it's green forests and garden cities, clear skies and wind turbines or oceans teeming with life – get involved by painting, drawing or designing a piece of art that shows how you'd like our planet to look in the future.

WHATSAPP US YOUR CREATIONS ON 07712 577528

Email at recycle@theinkbin.co.uk tag us @theinkbin

The future belongs to you.

WHAT DO YOU WANT IT TO LOOK LIKE?



SAVE NATURE FOR OUR FUTURE

Nature's importance for the continuity of life here, on Earth.

The population sizes of mammals, birds, fish, amphibians and reptiles have seen an alarming average drop of 68% since 1970.

For more information on the competition, the prize and to download the template visit:

<https://together-for-our-planet.ukcop26.org/creative-earth/>

What is the WWF?

The WWF (Worldwide Fund for nature) is an international non-governmental organization founded in 1961 that works in the field of wilderness preservation and the reduction of human impact on the environment.

2020 has been the year that forced us to stop. A global pandemic, extreme weather, forest fires. The Living Planet Report 2020 shows that our relationship with nature is broken – but we know what needs to be done if we're going to turn it around. There's no time to waste. We must take action now if nature is going to recover.

WHAT WE CAN DO TO RESTORE OUR WORLD

Use your voice - We are the first generation to know we're destroying the world, and we could be the last that can do anything about it. Speaking up is one of the most powerful things you can do especially if it's to the right people.

Be Informed - One of the best things you can do is to keep yourself informed – the more you know the better. It leaves you better equipped to have those conversations with your friends and family and the people you want to influence.

Watch what you buy - We can all do more to be more conscious about what we buy, and where we buy it from. Buying less will save you money, reduce waste and improve your environmental footprint. Living a less consumerist lifestyle can benefit you and our planet.

Stop buying products containing Palm Oil - Palm oil production is considered to be a major driver of deforestation of the world's most bio-diverse forests. It is wiping out the habitat of endangered species such as Orangutan, pygmy elephants and Sumatran rhino. (LOOK ON YOUR LABELS!)

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CAN YOU FIND THESE WORDS...

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HOMEMADE APPLE BIRD FEEDER

As spring is upon us, we start to hear the birds chirp, the days become brighter and the sun begins to shine. The perfect time to get creative, help nature and all whilst reducing food waste...

You will need:

- An apple
- Some suitable seeds and grains (oats and sunflower seeds work well)
- Some string

1. Cut an apple in half and remove the core.
2. Wrap your string around the apple so that you can hang it from a tree branch.
3. Push your bird seeds into the apple (the pointy end works best!).
4. Why not make a few shapes in your apple using the seeds – perhaps even a silly face?
5. Now hang your seeded apple feeder in your garden and keep an eye out for your new visitors!

Don't forget to let us see your efforts!