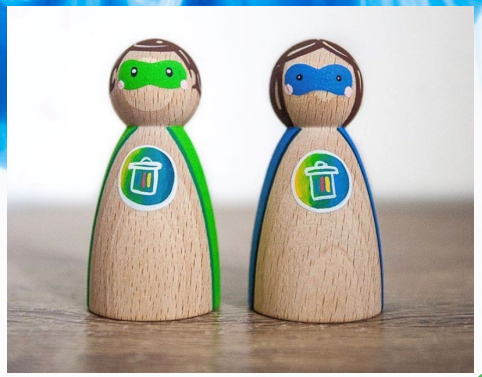
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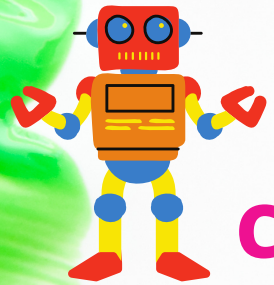
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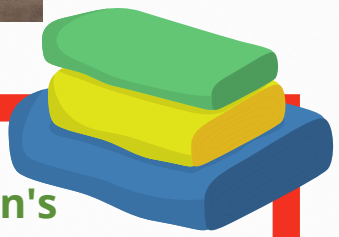
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The Ink Bin's Eco Tip of The Week

Did you know that some of the items in your kitchen can work just as well as shop bought cleaners? For example, baking soda mixed with warm water makes a great kitchen cleaner for all surfaces when applied with a damp cloth.

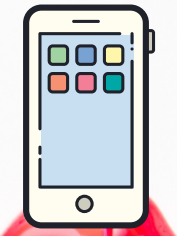
The Ink Bin News

Thank you to all of our fabulous recycling groups, schools, charities and supermarkets for your support in February. To name a few- Shaw Ridge School, Ashingdon School, Thurlby School, Monkspath School, St Johns School, Mersea Island Lions, 323 Squadron. We love working with you!

How did you get along with our challenge of making awareness signs around your school grounds for wildlife month? Let us know, send us your pictures to 07712 577528 or email recycle@theinkbin.co.uk

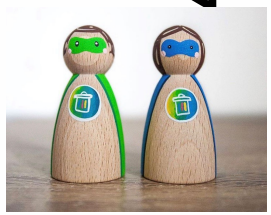


Get those cameras out to catch your wildlife finds! But remember not to disturb habitats.



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This Week in Your Eco Club... Clothes Swap



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1. Set a date and time for the event to take place- maybe in the last week of March
2. Decide if it is totally free or if you are charging for the swap- remember it's YOUR event so why not decide how YOU want the funds to be spent
3. Tell your friends which day to bring their swap items in
4. Ask your school office to add an announcement to the newsletter
5. Make posters to place around the school to promote the event
6. Start thinking about where you will hold the event (classroom, hall, playground...)

For The Great British Spring clean, why not also have a clear out of your clothes as well? However, instead of just throwing your clothes away, think about donating your clothes to charity shops to be reused, sell second hand online on sites such as eBay or Vinted or even organise a clothes swap at your school?



Does your school have a clothes bank for clothes beyond repair?

There are many benefits to buying and selling second hand clothes. These include saving money, lengthening an item's life cycle, reduces fast fashion demand and also saves resources - so why not give it a try? You can also wear something that you may not have chsoen yourself but enjoy wearing



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Top Tip

To organise a successful clothes swap, try to encourage each pupil in your school to try and bring in one item of clothing to swap. This can make you feel like you have a new wardrobe without the harmful effect on the environment.







For clothes beyond repair, why not chop them up to use as kitchen rags.
Old socks also make a perfect chew toy for a dog!

The Great British Spring Clean

This March, The Great British Spring Clean are celebrating its seventh anniversary. Their message for this year is to join their #BigBagChallenge and to pledge to pick up as much litter as possible during The Great British Spring Clean. For extra tips and advice on how to pick as much as possible just visit their website.



ECO KIDS Eco Heroes..

Jacob and Jimmy collecting litter from their local beach after the winds of Storm Eunice







Last month, around 50 litter pickers gathered at Mooragh Park lake in Ramsay to clean the drained lake. The lake is drained once a year, and was seen as a unique opportunity to tackle the rubbish problem in the area. Various items were found in the lake, such as glass bottles, golf balls and old signs.

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