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Promoting happy, healthy and sustainable living at Hill House and beyond.



RECYCLING

Recycling rates are increasing in the UK, but so is our population. To fulfil demand, we're producing more goods and using more natural resources than ever before, but despite our best efforts, we are still throwing too many things away.

Did You Know ...

- In the UK, we are only recycling 3% more waste than we did in 2010. The UK government has set a target for us to recycle 50% of all household waste by 2020.
- British households create over 26m tonnes of waste each year, the weight of around 260 large cruise ships. This means that the average person in the UK throws away around 400kg of waste each year; 7 times their body weight.
- Of the 26m tonnes of waste produced in the UK, 12m tonnes are recycled, and 14m tonnes are sent to landfill sites. This gives us an average recycling rate of 45%.
- If everyone in the UK recycled one toothpaste box, it would save enough energy to run a fridge in over 2,000 homes for a year.
- If everyone in the UK recycled one aluminium deodorant aerosol, enough energy would be saved to run a TV in over 151,000 homes for a year. Amazing isn't it?
- It takes seven days for a recycled newspaper to come back as newspaper again.

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WHAT CAN WE DO?



Be more aware - check out the latest recycling facts (click below for more information):



RECYCLING FACTS



Think twice about what you throw away and take the time to sort it.

- It takes 70% less energy to recycle paper than it does to make it new from raw materials.
- Recycling a single plastic bottle will save enough energy to power a lightbulb for three hours or more.
- 50% of the food waste we throw in the bin could be composted.
- As much as 80% of the things we throw away could be recycled.



Find out what you can recycle at home and where you can recycle locally (click below):

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GREEN DRAGONS' DEN

♥ Have you sent in your entry for the Hill House Green Dragons' Den yet? No idea is too small as every little change can make a difference!

#MAKEONECHANGE

What one change can you make today?

