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Hill House School

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

FOCUS ON FIRS

At the beginning of November, we held our first Green Dragons' Den where a number of teams had the chance to present their ambitious plans for promoting sustainability at Hill House School. This edition features the entry called, "Let's see the Wood for the Firs!"



REDUCE-REUSE-RECYCLE-RETHINK

Team Firs have been supporting an eco-friendly approach since the beginning of 2021 with their "super recycler" who is super excited about the recycling they already do on a small scale.

The ultimate goal is to **reduce** food waste and the amount of plastic we use in general - other teams have also come up with some great ideas on how we can do this - but, in the meantime, HH would like us to have our very own [Recycling Centre](#) for sorting plastic, paper, card, metal, and materials for **reusing** (for arts and crafts activities, upcycling of canvas frames, furniture restoration, second-hand clothes etc.)

The key to success is gaining support from everyone at Hill House by **rethinking** everything we do! It starts with being more conscientious about how we shop - whilst online ordering is convenient, it tends to be for single items which come in plastic packaging and have transport / delivery implications. The next step would be to put bins into each home so that rubbish can be separated into food waste, general rubbish, and **recycling** (paper, card, tins, plastics etc.) These bins can then be taken to the recycling centre for final sorting.

Not only are there benefits for our environment in terms of **minimising** waste by **maximising** our use of materials and products but the young people can also learn more about the 3Rs, how it impacts their daily lives, and ultimately achieve AQA awards.

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HALLOWE'EN RECYCLING



The young people in Firs put the 3Rs into good practice at Hallowe'en by making some very spooky looking Jack-O'-Lanterns. They **reused** the soft centre in a delicious pumpkin pie! But it didn't stop there! They then divided up the waste material, saving the pips to roast or grow more pumpkins next year, and **recycling** the pulp in the compost heap.

