

FOOTPRINT

Hill House School

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

REMEMBER THE 3RS

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE (the 3Rs) has become a mantra at Hill House and we are always looking for ways to be more environmentally friendly. Recycling is at the forefront of this three-fold approach with more recycling bins being added to meet our "living more sustainably" challenge!



RECYCLING REMINDER



We have the facility to collect a range of both dental and optical products for recycling right here at Hill House! The collection point for both is located in the cupboard just outside the kitchen. All of the following can be accepted as part of the Colgate® and hello® Oral Care Free Recycling Programme through Dentaid and the Recycle at Boots scheme.

Inhalers cannot be recycled or disposed of with household waste but Milford Pharmacy have been encouraging patients to return them so they can be incinerated with medical waste rather than go to landfill. Be sure to check your own local pharmacy for collection points too.

We also have a collection point for batteries! Individual Big Battery Hunt Boxes are available from the front office. Pick yours up today and start collecting your used household batteries, including watch 'button' batteries, packs from laptops, power tools and remote-control units for recycling.



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Even our **NOT-A-GREEN GOBLIN** is mending his ways.

Each battery placed in a recycling bin will be taken apart and the materials used to make something new instead of going into landfill and polluting the environment with dangerous chemicals.

CRUNCH TIME

Have you spotted the new box in the Let's Eat Café yet? We are now adding crisp and snack packets to our reuse and recycling efforts! Just pop your empty packet in the box instead of the bin.

Did you know ...

♥ We consume around 6 billion packets of crisps in the UK every year, which equates to more than 16 million of them being thrown away every day.

Until recently, it was considered too difficult and too costly to recycle them so the vast majority of scrunched up packets ended up in bins and eventually landfill or, even worse, as litter on the side of roads and in the sea. Things have changed! After enjoying your crisps, the empty packets can now be cleaned, shredded, and extruded into plastic pellets which can then be made into fresh products. Recycled packets have been transformed into plant pots, playgrounds, park benches and even the foundations of a football pitch.

Before throwing them away though, why not get crafty and reuse them first! You could collect crisps bags throughout the year and make your own foil Christmas decorations or even use them as sparkly wrapping paper for small gifts - turn them inside out, give them a clean and use them to wrap tiny gifts such as make up, toys or a couple of handmade biscuits.

