



LITTER



As Eco-Schools England is part of Keep Britain Tidy, the following eco-actions are suitable for ALL ages!

Eco-Action 20: Stay at Home Litter Pick

Looking around your home how many items can you find that are no longer used by your family, but still are working well or could be used? Collect these items over the week and decide as a family what you are going to do with these items. Did you forget you had them and will start using them again? Could you donate them to friends, family or charity? Could you upcycle them into a new more useful item?

Eco-Action 21: Voice for Nature

Litter doesn't just look ugly and cost money to clean up, it also harms wildlife. Write and plan a short presentation (no longer than a few minutes) about the dangers of litter to wildlife and what we could all do to prevent these dangers. Your presentation should include images and text and can focus on any form of wildlife, including aquatic. You may decide to focus your presentation on one creature and carry out a little more research about specific dangers of litter to them. Once you have created your presentation we would like you to safely deliver it to your class (maybe during an online lesson or assembly) or to your family. Let others know all about your findings and ask if they have ideas to protect wildlife from the dangers of litter too.

Eco-Action 22: Litter Healthy Living Campaign

Many littered items are linked to fast food, snacks and fizzy drinks. Based on this we would like you and your class, or family, to create a 'Healthy Living Anti Littering,' Campaign that includes a memorable slogan, eye-catching logo and a poster. Think carefully about the words you'll use in your slogan and what colours or images you'll use in your anti-litter logo to make it eye-catching and powerful. How can you get all your local community and wider family to support your new healthy living, anti-littering campaign?



Eco-Action 23: The History of Litter

Is the amount of litter getting worse? We would like you to think of 3 litter related questions to safely ask an older person either in school or at home (maybe a grandparent via zoom!) about the problem of litter in England. You could ask whether there is new items of litter that never used to be an issue. You could even ask them if they remember any of our old Keep Britain Tidy litter campaigns from a generation ago!

Eco-Action 24: The Story of Litter

Often archaeologists use the discarded items from hundreds, or thousands, of years ago to paint a picture of what everyday life used to be like. Imagine 500 years from now at a future archelogy site, what do you think the littered plastic items they find may tell them about our society? Write a short statement about our society from the point of view of a future historian.

Eco-Action 25: Litter Letter

Get persuasive and write a letter to your MP or local business about any specific litter problems in your local area—maybe this could be about PPE or helping to support and promote your 'Healthy Living Anti Littering Campaign' (Eco-Action 22). Ask them for advice and help on reducing litter near your school or home. You could also ask them if they would be willing to visit your school for a litter picking event (when its safe to do so) in the future.

Eco-Action 26: Litter Poster

Draw, paint or collage an imaginative anti littering poster to put on display in a window in school or at home to let others know you are anti-litter and care about the environment. The poster can be personal to you—why do you think it's important to not drop litter? Be as creative as you can and use lots of bright, bold colours to help your poster stand out and make your message clear. As a class, or family, you could make lots of posters and place one in every window!



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