

LITTER CHAMPIONS!

This activity pack has been created by artist Bethan Laker to help KS2 pupils start their own Litter Champions club in school.



All the materials used are recycled and can be recycled.

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BIG DRAW

Collaging with packaging is a great way to do some creative recycling and working at scale can draw attention to your message. These big drawings can be used for a display about your Litter Champions Club.



You Will Need

Large pieces of cardboard

A giant black marker or black paint and brush

Craft knife

Scissors

PVA glue and brushes

Recycling such as sweet and biscuit wrappers, cereal boxes, magazines...any paper and card recycling.



TOP TIP

If you don't like drawing big, use a projector to upscale onto cardboard and paint over the projection.

- 1 Prepare some 'big draw' items in advance.
Ideas include giant cardboard R's, a trophy, a giant litter bin, a plastic bottle, fishes or turtles and the letters to spell out the name of your litter club.

- 2 Cut them out.

JUST BIN IT!

- 3 Working in groups, use the recycling and cut out interesting colours, shapes and lettering. Glue these onto the giant items with as much colour as possible. Try and hide all the cardboard. The pupils can cut out letters and words that add to the communication or just create colourful surfaces and patterns.

GARRY A
WATER BOTTLE



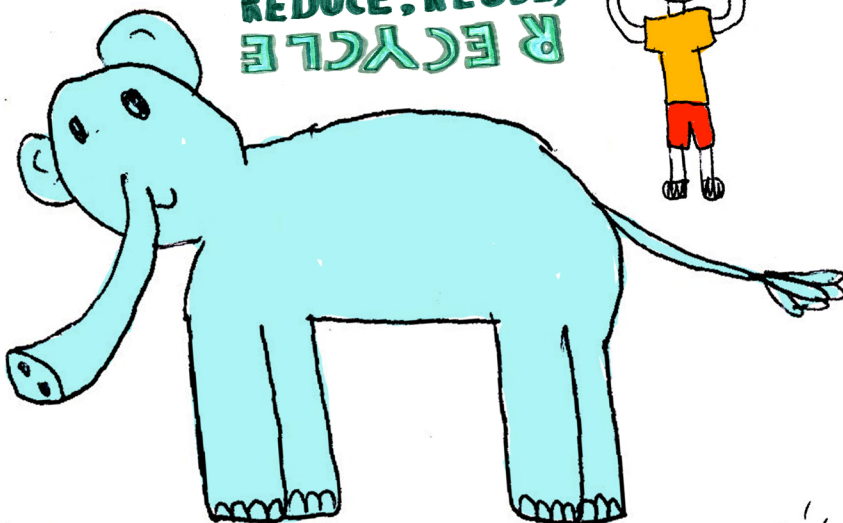
Do a little
bit each

take
one extra
piece of
litter
Home

"One bite at
a time!"



REDUCE, REUSE,
RECYCLE



"how do you eat an elephant?"

ELEPHANT eaters!

You Will Need

Paper

Biros

Felt tips

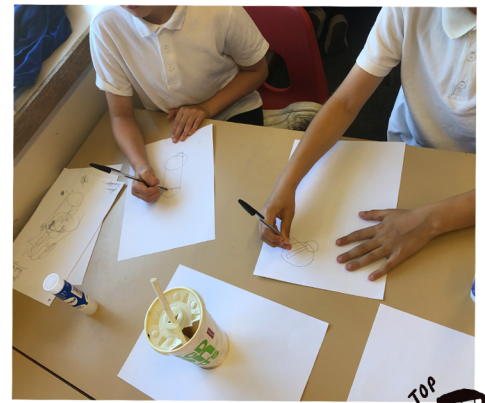
Thinking about the environment and climate can be overwhelming. Use the question, "How do you eat an elephant?" to discuss small changes and the big difference a school community can make by working together.

- 1 Ask the children to draw an illustration from their imagination about "how you eat an elephant?"

The class can have fun with literal doodles but encourage them to draw metaphorical doodles about how this phrase could apply to tackling litter.

DRAWING FROM OBSERVATION

You Will Need
 Litter/recycling
 White A4 paper
 Black biros or fineliners
 Timer
 Paper tape
 Glue sticks
 Old books including old text books, damaged book pages, unused pages of old exercise books. Use matt papers rather than shiny magazine surfaces.
 Carbon copy paper
 Good quality felt tips or sharpies



Don't use pencil...It makes the mark making slow and hesitant. Using pen makes bolder marks.



- 1 Collect some litter!
- 2 Place a piece on white paper so it stands out from any background.
- 3 Each student needs 3 bits of white paper and a black biro.

4 For the first warm up, ask the students to get the paper and pen ready and have a good look at the object in front of them. They may wish to turn their paper to either landscape or portrait.

5 The students must close their eyes and use their non dominant hand to draw the object as best as they remember it! Time them for 1minute.

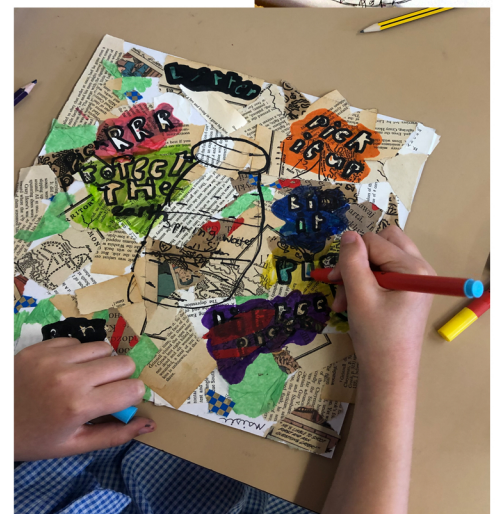
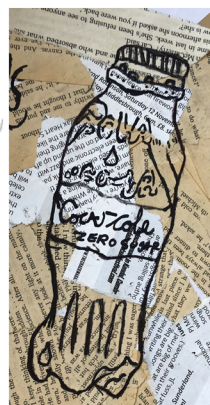
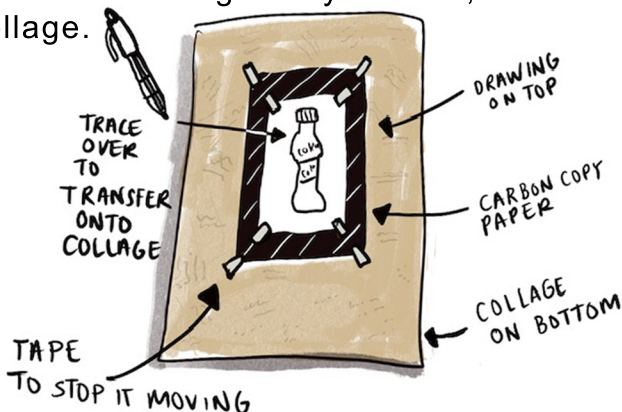
6 Using a fresh piece of paper for the second warm up, this time the students can open their eyes and use their correct hand... but they must not take their pen off the paper. This 1 minute drawing should be one long continuous line! The students should not take their eyes from the object so they only look at the object, not at their emerging drawing!

7 Now they are warmed up give the students 10 minutes to create a line drawing of their object. no shading just outlines.

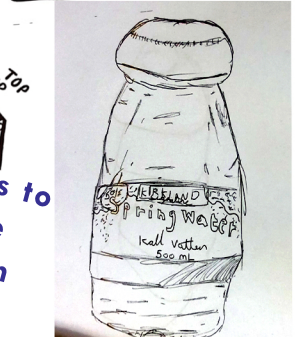
8 The next step is to collage a background using torn up pieces of the book pages and use the glue stick to create a flat surface on an A4 piece of paper or card.

9 Loosley cut out the drawing and tape to the back of the carbon copy paper, with the carbon side facing down.

10 Tape both of these to your background collage and trace over the drawing with your biro, so it transfers onto the collage.



DON'T TAKE YOUR PEN OFF THE PAPER!



Ask the students to try and fill the page, so we can see the details

11 Remove the drawing and carbon copy carefully, lifting one corner to check you haven't missed anything you need.

12 Now use the black sharpie to make the lines bold.

13 You can use felt tips to add pattern and colour, along with any text encouraging people not to drop litter and to **Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!**