



Recycling at Albion Primary School



Albion Primary School is striving to become a **5 Star Sustainable School**. The first step we are taking is encouraging students to bring food in reusable containers and reduce the amount of packaging brought to school. The second step that we are taking is encouraging students to recycle any items to the correct places so that we can wipe out waste.

We currently have the following recycling initiatives in place;

- **Recycle Paper** - into class tubs then into the 6 council yellow bins each fortnight.
- **Recycle Soft plastic wrappers** - into a class soft plastic bin which gets collected at the end of the week and goes to Woolworths then onto RedCycle.
- **Recycle Fruit scraps** - go into the fruit scraps tub then to the worm farms and compost bins.
- **Recycle Food scraps** - go into the food scraps bucket that gets emptied to the chooks.
- **Recycle unwanted Pens** - into class container, they get sent to TerraCycle who partner with BIC to recycle the products.
- **Recycle Ink Cartridges from the photocopiers** - they are dropped off at Officeworks where they recycle the cartridges.

We also encourage students to bring items from home that can be recycled

- **Bread tags** - into class containers, the tags get dropped off at the end of each term to a drop off point and are sold to buy wheel chairs in Africa.
- **Bottle Caps** - into class containers, the caps get dropped off each week to a drop off point and collected by Envision to make prosthetic hands.
- **Recycle Mobile phones** - bring any unwanted mobile phones, and accessories to the **office** - they will get sent off to Mobile Muster at the end of each term.
- **Recycle unwanted Oral care products** - into class container, they get sent to TerraCycle who partner with Colgate to recycle the products.

During Recycle week in **November** each year we also ask families to begin collecting and sorting through unwanted goods - clothes, small toys and books where students get a token per item and can experience purchasing recycled clothes, toys and books. Any clothing, toys and books not exchanged for tokens gets picked up by a charity the following week where the school gets points for their donation. Any unused tokens can be placed in the student's house box to get 1000 house points per token.