



Schools Against Waste NEWSLETTER



What is it?

The Schools Against Waste course is a free learning resource, approved by the NCFE and available to schools throughout the North East region. It is an excellent choice for schools that drive sustainability and participate in environmental awards such as the Eco Schools Programme. The programme was launched in September 2010. An Energy and Water module is to be added March 2011.



How to sign up

- Step 1** – Go to www.schoolsagainstwaste.co.uk.
- Step 2** – Click the “Sign Up!” button at top of page.
- Step 3** – Each student must create an account with their email address.
- Step 4** – Click on the course you want, and get started

How?

Schools Against Waste is delivered online and focuses on Waste and Purchase related issues in schools, homes and communities. Topics include recycling, waste minimisation, waste processes, the history of waste, litter and fly tipping. The course is available in four versions which cover the 4 Key Stages. Stage 4 is also tailored to non teaching staff, so is ideal for caretakers, kitchen staff, office staff and business managers. The course uses a dynamic mix of video clips, text and images, to illustrate important messages and useful information.

Incorporating a dynamic mix of video clips, text and images, the course is also accredited by national awarding body, NCFE.





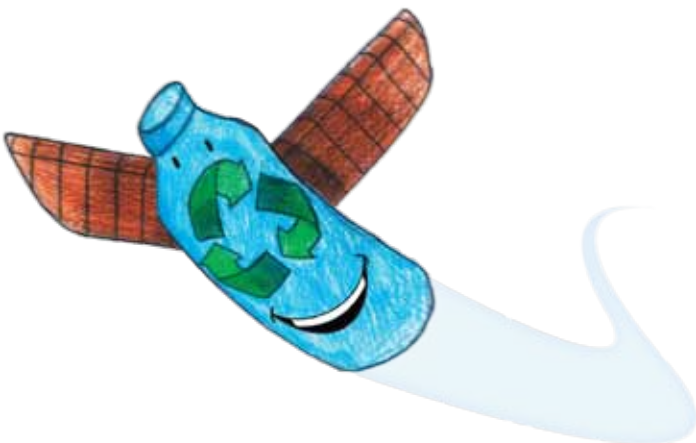
Why?

The production of the course is a response to the region's waste sector and Children's Service's which both seek to communicate consistent messages to young people about waste. The content has been coordinated by the North East Improvement and Efficiency Partnership in close consultation with the North East's 12 Local Authorities, waste sector organisations, Waste Aware North East and the Gateshead based Environmental Academy - a centre of excellence. The course can be completed by students independently or on a full class basis. Modules can be selected individually to assist in specific projects or undertaken as a full course.



Next steps

We are currently developing a module covering energy and water reduction which will be launched in March 2011. This will follow the same format as the waste and purchasing module, a version for each of the four key stages and again will be available free to all schools in the Northeast.



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