

St Mary & St John CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Eco Council met on Tuesday 14 January to discuss how best to encourage reducing the amount of waste, including plastic, in packed lunch containers.

They wrote down some ideas and these were shared in an assembly on Tuesday 28 January. I agreed to share their ideas in a newsletter. These are all child-initiated ideas and I was very impressed by their discussion and ability to organise themselves.

Here is what they suggested:

- ❖ Please try and use a reusable plastic (or other material) container and a reusable water bottle;
- ❖ Remember to take your packed lunch container home every evening as we always have a number left on lunch trolleys at the end of term;
- ❖ Please avoid using cling film and consider alternatives like Bee's Wrap, greaseproof paper, kitchen roll, empty bread or pasta bags;
- ❖ Please try and make your own sandwiches as shop bought ones have a lot of packaging or you could bring in last night's left-overs;
- ❖ If you have a packed lunch container with different compartments, then it may not be necessary to wrap anything.

The Eco Council wanted to say that any small effort is appreciated, in their words, 'a helping hand makes a difference'!

Best wishes,

Liz Burton, on behalf of the Eco Council