



## Build your Plastic Clever Schools map

**Creating a map of your school and your local community is a really good way to learn more about your schools' plastic footprint and share important information to help reduce it.**

- 1.** Start by drawing a birds eye view of your school. Make sure you include all the outside spaces too, like playgrounds, sports fields, car parks etc. Do it on a big piece of paper so you have lots of room to add information.
- 2.** Add in your recycling bins, water refill stations or drinking water taps and any Plastic Clever projects (e.g. maybe you have litter pickers that people can use stored somewhere).
- 3.** Great – now add your plastic hotspots to the map – the places where you most often see plastic pollution. For many schools this is the playground, car park, lunchroom or the area around bins.
- 4.** Good work! Next up you can add some important people to the map. This should be the people who make decisions about your waste management, the person who runs your canteen or lunchroom, plus anyone else who plays an important role in your Plastic Clever School journey (e.g. your Eco Club or school council if you have one).
- 5.** Keep building – The idea of your Plastic Clever Schools map is for it to grow :) Once you've created the map of your school, see if you can extend it to show your local community. Add in local recycling centres, plastic hotspots, water refill stations, parks and green spaces etc.
- 6.** Don't forget to display your map on your Plastic Clever Schools wall!