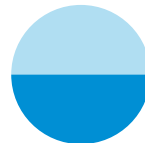


# Plastic Clever Schools



Wave goodbye to  
single use plastic



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**KIDS**  
against  
**PLASTIC**



Hey !

Welcome to Plastic Clever Schools! We're so pleased you're here because we need your help to make every school Plastic Clever. Plastic pollution is a big problem- you'll find out more about that later- but we know a way you, your school, and all your friends and family can help.

Common Seas and Kids Against Plastic (KAP) have joined forces because we know that young people, like you, have powerful voices and brilliant ideas - we need you on our team!

Your journey to becoming a Plastic Clever School is split into three levels:



**Inspire** You'll go on a deep dive to learn all about plastic and share that information with your classmates, teachers, parents and community.



**Investigate** It's time to discover the problem plastics in your school and get ready to do something about it!



**Act** You'll learn how to create a positive impact by leading an exciting campaign to help your school and community wave goodbye to single-use plastic.

In each stage you'll need to learn, do and share. This workbook will be your guide. We've also created a guide for teachers. Make sure your teachers know how important this is to you - having their support will really help along the way.

Remember to share your progress on the Plastic Clever Schools website to achieve your award! Amy and Ella, along with their brilliant KAP club members and Common Seas' Ocean Superheroes will be sharing lots of helpful tips along the way.



# Your journey



## Keep notes!

It might help to document the amazing things you are learning and doing along the way. Keep a note of key activities and take pictures, these will build up evidence for your Plastic Clever Schools award.



### Level 1 Inspire

- Raise awareness about your mission to become a Plastic Clever School and share two photos of your activities
- Host a litter pick at your school and create a poster about problem plastics you found
- Tell us why you're excited about becoming a Plastic Clever School



### Level 2 Investigate

- Complete the Plastic Clever Schools audit
- Create your action plan



### Level 3 Act

- Run your campaign to tackle at least two problem plastics in your school and share a photo of the action
- Share photo evidence of two changes you made to reduce plastic waste at school
- Tell us about your proudest moment during your campaign and explain what you plan to do next!



# Let's make waves!

## Social media can be a really powerful tool when it comes to taking care of our planet.

We can reach more people and engage in good conversations about causes we care about by posting content on social media channels. Throughout your journey we are going to encourage you to share what you are doing and try to engage even more people.

Here are our top tips -

- Fact check first - Be sure to check & reference your sources when sharing anything on social media.
- Be creative - Make a video or create a piece of art that can help amplify your message.
- Raise voices - Seek out people who are playing active roles in local movements. Make sure you make everyone feel welcome.
- Follow your schools guidelines - Make sure you abide by your schools social media policy.
- Be positive - Whilst we shouldn't be afraid to shine a light on the plastic problem, upbeat, engaging and supportive messages will get you further than trying to shame people into action
- Remember to tag - If you want to draw attention to your post, for example from a specific person or business, tag them in your post to make sure they see it!

Most social media channels are for users aged 13+. If you are under 13, it could be possible to share your messages safely through your schools social media channels instead. Speak to a teacher to find out who can help you with this.

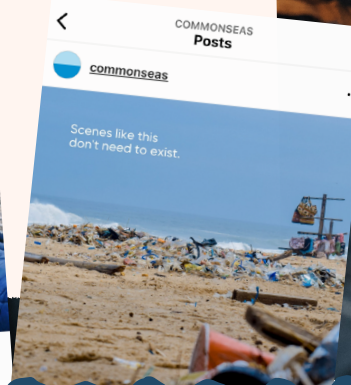


### Follow us at -

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And use the hashtag -  
#plasticcleverschools





# Let's get inspired!

For the first stage of your journey we're focusing on inspiration - that means we'll be learning a lot and sharing it with everyone at school so that we can get everyone on board for the challenge ahead!

## What to expect

You'll learn about where our plastic products come from, different types of plastic and why it's so important to become Plastic Clever!

You'll do a litter pick to find out how plastic pollution is impacting your local environment, plus you'll create a space to help your whole school get engaged and up to date on your Plastic Clever journey.

You'll share your mission with the Plastic Clever Schools community and find some creative ways to inspire your class mates along the way!

## The Plastic Problem

Today, around 220 million tons of plastic waste is produced every year across the world. If we keep on making, using and disposing of plastic the way we are now, that amount will quadruple by 2040 and plastic pollution will have destroyed our ocean.



## Actions to take

- Raise awareness about your mission to become a Plastic Clever School (for example - host an assembly, send out a newsletter, create a Plastic Clever Schools wall, share a message on social media)
- Host a litter pick at your school and let everyone know how much plastic you found!



## KAP Club tip

Get lots of people involved by planning a regular litter pick. This can really improve the atmosphere of the school by bringing people together to do something good for the planet.

Hayden



# The life cycle of a plastic bottle

Click here to learn more about how plastic is made





# Climate change

Download our  
fact sheet here

Do

## Everyone's talking about... Climate Change.

Millions of young people have taken part in school climate strikes to protest the lack of action on the climate crisis by world leaders. So, what is Climate Change and what does it have to do with plastic?



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## Plastics and the climate crisis

The lifecycle of a plastic bottle will leave a lasting impact on the environment, including our climate, because when we throw away a single-use drinks bottle, that's not all we're wasting.

one waterbottle =



### Challenge

Plastic isn't only a problem at the start of its life. Take another look at the plastic lifecycle on p. 6 of the workbook. How else is plastic contributing to climate change? Could anything be done to reduce this impact?

### What is Climate Change?

Climate change describes a change in average weather conditions over a long period of time. Many of these changes are the result of an increase in the average global temperature, known as global warming. Here's a very quick explanation of what this all means...

Global warming is a natural process where greenhouse gases (carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, and water vapour) capture some of the sun's heat and warm the earth. This process is what makes our planet so perfect for life to survive.

However, human behaviour is making it warm up too quickly. Think of the greenhouse gases in our atmosphere as a nice warm blanket keeping the earth just the right temperature. Now imagine what will happen if we keep adding more blankets... Well, that's what's happening to our planet. Human activities - like burning fossil fuels to power factories, cars and buses - are adding greenhouse gases to the atmosphere, preventing heat from escaping and warming the earth. This is already leading to global problems such as an increase in extreme weather (like storms and droughts), melting ice caps, rising sea levels and animal extinctions.

Want to know more? [Check out the KAP website](https://www.kap.org.uk/)

[plasticcleverschools.co.uk](https://plasticcleverschools.co.uk)

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PLANET B





# Different types of plastic



Litter picks are a great way to find out which types of plastic are lurking in your local environment. What different types of plastic do you think you'll find?



**PETE**  
Polyethylene  
Terephthalate  
Water bottles



**HDPE**  
High-density  
Polyethylene  
Milk bottles and  
shampoo bottles



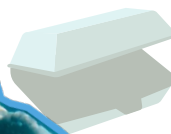
**PVC**  
Polyvinyl Chloride  
Cleaning products  
and shower curtains



**LDPE**  
Low-density  
polyethylene  
Bread bags and  
plastic films



**PP**  
Polypropylene  
Yoghurt cups,  
straws and  
hangers



**PS**  
Polystyrene  
Takeaway, hard  
packaging and  
toys



**OTHER**  
Polycarbonate  
Baby bottles,  
nylon and CD's



Easy to  
recycle



Difficult to  
recycle



Not  
recycled



**Try this!**

Want to know more about the science behind different types of plastic? Watch my video about polymerisation and how to test the process by making your own slime!

George

[Click here to watch my video](#)



# Guide to litter picking

Click here to view our guide to litter picking



A litter pick is a fun & active way to grab attention about plastic pollution whilst also cleaning it up! Who could you invite to join in?



## Amy & Ella's Top Tip

A litter pick is the perfect way to get others involved in your Plastic Clever mission. It's also a brilliant way to find out more about problem plastics in your local area, like the litter hotspots, types of plastic and even where they come from. This information will help you engage your school and wider community with the problem, and inspire them to help you do something about it!

## Amy & Ella's guide to litter picking

We've done our fair share of litter picks in the past. They're a great way to have an immediate impact on the plastic pollution in your neighbourhood, as it doesn't take long to see a big difference.

However, it's important to be careful when picking up rubbish – sometimes there are items or places it is best to avoid. So, here are our top tips for staying safe while litter picking!

### 1. Think about your location

There are so many different places you can litter pick. Beaches, woodland paths, city streets... you can find rubbish almost anywhere that humans have been! However, often the places where you find the most litter are the ones that we use the most regularly, like near roads.

We've done litter picks on roadsides and collected more than 1,000 pieces, just as a family!

While you can achieve great results from litter picking along roadsides, they can also be very dangerous. Make sure you stay away from busy highways, and always stick to places with a pavement. Always have a parent or guardian with you, and ensure you wear something bright so you can be easily seen – such as a high-vis jacket.

### 2. Be hygienic

While litter picking, you often find items that aren't particularly clean. Many times, the rubbish has sat there for so long that it's covered in dirt and bacteria – yuck! That's why it's super important to stay safe and healthy when picking up rubbish. Think about your gear – get hold of a litter picker and some thick gloves – you don't want to be using your bare hands.

Always make sure you have a bottle of hand sanitiser in your pocket for when you're done!

### 3. Be careful what you collect!

Just imagine, you've finished picking up for the day, you've got a full bag of rubbish that you're taking to the bin and riiiiip! Your bag has split, and dropped everything back onto the floor. This is a nightmare scenario that's happened to us many times! To avoid it happening, don't pick up anything sharp (like shattered glass, or needles). Not only are these items dangerous, they're also far more likely to rip your bag open than an item like a plastic bottle.

If something looks too gross (and trust me, you will find many strange things when picking up), then just leave it. It's better to be safe than sorry!

### 4. Work together

Try to keep an eye out for organised litter picks in your area. We've been on group litter picks before where we've collected over 2,000 pieces in just one hour – such as one we did on a beach in Cardiff, Wales. You can pick up incredible amounts when working together!

KAP app here to log litter data (QR code)



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# Design your Plastic Clever Schools wall

Becoming a Plastic Clever School is much easier if everyone at your school knows about it.

One way to do that is to create a Plastic Clever School wall. Think of it like a giant display that everyone can see and that can be updated as you progress along your journey.



## Your step by step guide to creating your Plastic Clever School wall

1. Ask your teachers if they can help identify a good spot for your display. Make sure its somewhere central in the school and big enough for you to fill with lots of pictures and information.

2. Start designing your wall on a piece of paper, so you can figure out what you'd like to display. You'll want to include the three different levels, a checklist to tick off, a space for photos, drawings or posters, and somewhere to create a map of your school.

3. Remember that you will keep adding to your wall as you work through the three levels, so don't fill it up too soon!

4. Let everyone know what they can create for the wall – drawings, posters, sticky notes with ideas for your school.

5. Make sure you take photos and send them to us so we can see your amazing Plastic Clever School wall and share it on our website.



- Completed Clever School
- Created a Plastic Clever School
- Ran a plastic free school



### Your Journey



#### Level 1 Inspire

- Raise awareness about your mission to become a Plastic Clever School
- Host a litter pick at your school
- Make a video to share why you're excited about becoming a Plastic Clever School



#### Level 2 Investigate

- Complete the Plastic Clever Schools audit
- Create your action plan



#### Level 3 Act

- Run your campaign to tackle at least 2 problem plastics in your school
- Share photo evidence
- Create a collaboration video



# Share your journey



We want to hear all your news and see your great work to inspire others! You could make a video, write an article, create a presentation or find another creative way to share the following -

## Tell us why you want to be a Plastic Clever School

What sparked the idea to sign up? Is plastic pollution a real problem in your local community?

## Share how you are inspiring others to get involved

We'd love to hear about all the creative ways you are getting people on board.

## Ready to tell everyone about your mission?

Giving a presentation is the perfect way to let others know about your plans to become a Plastic Clever School. It will also help you introduce everyone to the awe and wonder of our amazing ocean, so they feel inspired to protect it!

### Need help?

We've made a presentation that you can use. Decide if you want to deliver it to the whole school in an assembly, or start smaller by presenting to a class or group. Make it fun by asking your friends to join in

[Click here to learn more](#)

## Describe the most surprising/inspiring/enjoyable part of your Plastic Clever journey so far

Have you learned something new that you think will help you wave goodbye to single use plastic?

## Some other ideas...

Set up a newsletter, design posters, update your Plastic Clever wall, create a call to action on social media... What else can you think of?

## Ready to submit your evidence?

Click the button on the next page to upload your photos to the Plastic Clever Schools website!



# Inspire Checklist



- Shared photos to show how we raised awareness about becoming a Plastic Clever School
- Hosted a litter pick and created a poster about problem plastics in our local area
- Explained why we're excited about becoming a Plastic Clever School

[Click here to share your evidence](#)



## KAP Club tip

Don't be afraid to speak up about what you care about! If you think there is a problem in the world that you're passionate about tackling, then don't underestimate the power of your voice! It's better to make the change you want to see happen rather than wait for someone else to!

Amy & Ella



# It's time to investigate!

Congratulations! You've inspired your school to become Plastic Clever. Welcome to level two - Investigate!

## What to expect

You'll learn about how plastic gets into the ocean, and the impact that plastic pollution has on us, our communities and our natural environment. You'll also learn about the 6Rs and the circular economy to help you think of ways to cut down your problem plastics.

You'll do some investigating to identify the problem plastics in your school so you can pick the top two to tackle, then create an action plan to decide how you'll do it!

You'll share what you found out and what you want to do about it.

## Actions to take

- Complete the Plastic Clever Schools audit
- Create our action plan

## KAP Club tip

Just do something to make a difference. Get involved at school or in your community to become plastic clever. Or aim big and take on the polluting businesses. Whatever you do matters and makes a difference.

Skye



# How does plastic end up in the ocean?

Where does all the plastic come from? And how does it end up in the sea? Did you know that approximately 80% of plastic flows from land-based sources? The other 20% is plastic littered at sea, from fishing and shipping.

Even if you live hundreds of miles from the coast, the plastic you throw away could make its way into the sea.

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## How does plastic pollution impact marine life?

Plastic pollution is bad news for the natural world. Did you know that plastic in the ocean impacts all species, big and small – from marine mammals like whales and dolphins to the smallest fish and plankton.

[Click here to learn more](#)

## How does plastic travel

**Wind blows** plastic and plastic litter into the environment.

**Rain sweeps** plastic into the waste and stormwater system or directly into rivers and streams.

People might **dump plastic waste** near to or directly into rivers and streams.

Waste and stormwater systems can **overflow** during storms and high tides.

## Plastic pollution

What do you picture when you think about plastic pollution? Close your eyes and take a moment to think about it.

Whatever you imagined, we're sure it wasn't pretty. Plastic pollution is a big deal and causes a lot of problems in our local environment and across the planet – especially in our ocean.

Now close your eyes and imagine what this environment could look like if it was free from plastic waste – this is the difference you can make!

[Click here to learn some surprising facts about plastic...](#)



# The 5 gyres

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When ocean water moves together it forms a current. Wind patterns and the forces from the Earth's rotation can make these currents move in circles (like slow moving whirlpools) known as 'gyres'.

The most famous gyre is the North Pacific Gyre. It's been nicknamed 'The Great Pacific Garbage Patch' because it has the highest concentration of plastic waste.

[Click here to learn more](#)





# Plastic Clever Schools Audit



**As a Plastic Clever School, you need to take steps to cut down on single use plastic waste and help keep our ocean and natural world healthy.**

An audit is a series of questions that help you understand more about something, like plastic waste. It will help you know the types of plastic being wasted – and how much – so you can know where to start on your mission to wave goodbye to single use plastics.

To investigate problem plastics at school you'll need help! Ask your friends and a teacher to

help answer the audit questions, fill in the form and figure out what it means for your school.

Gathering data is a really important skill that scientists and explorers use to help find out about new things and solve problems!

[Click here to get started](#)



**The Big Four - How many are your school throwing away each day?**



**Now you know more about plastic waste at school, use your audit results to help you plan what to do next!**



# Have you ever heard of the 6 Rs ?



rethink



refuse



reduce



reuse



recycle



repair

- Is recycling enough?
- Nope. Check out the next page to find why not and explore an alternative...



## Some of the Rs are better than others!

Check out our fact sheet to help you decide which ones you want to focus on and think about the different solutions you can come up with in your school.

[Click here to learn more](#)

## KAP Club tip

Start off small, like switching your single-use plastic bottles to a reusable one! Trust me, it isn't as hard as you think; within no time it will change from a routine to a habit! Remember, one step at a time is the key!

Inaaya



# Circular economy



Across the world, we're creating 20 million tons of plastic waste. Where does that plastic waste go?

40% enters the environment, polluting our natural world, particularly our rivers and seas.

45% is thrown away then burnt in incinerators or buried in landfill sites.

15% is recycled to be used again to make new plastic products.

With so many of us doing our part to recycle at home and at school already, 15% might seem shockingly low. Clearly the way we are using and disposing of plastic isn't working, but what else can we do?

**Click here to learn more about a circular economy**



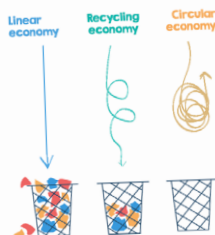
## Circular Economy

### A new economy

Humans produce A LOT of waste. This is because we often design things to be used once and then thrown away. This is known as the linear economy.

In a recycling economy, products at the end of their life (when we're finished using them) are collected and their materials recycled to make new things. This prevents them being wasted, saving raw materials and energy. So is this the answer to a more sustainable approach?

Unfortunately not. Especially when we're talking about plastic.



### A few plastic recycling facts:

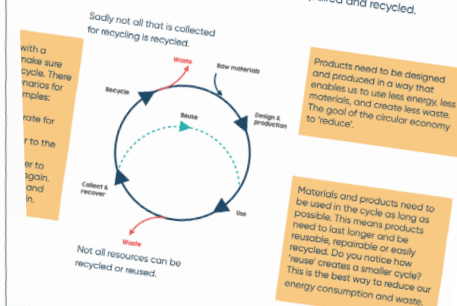
- Not all plastics can be recycled. Although the plastic polymers can usually (technically) be recycled, the way that plastic products are designed or used often hinders the recyclability.
- Recycling plastic is actually more like 'downcycling' as the quality of the material is reduced in the process.
- Although we preserve the energy embodied in the materials, the process to collect and recover plastics in recycling is also energy intensive.
- Today, our world already creates 220 million tons of plastic waste every year – only 15% is recycled.
- Recycling instructions are different in each area, which is why mistakes are made in cleaning and sorting resulting in contamination that makes plastics difficult to recycle. Feeling confused about plastics recycling in your own area? Check out [www.recyclenow.com](http://www.recyclenow.com) to find your local recycling information.



## Circular Economy

### What is a circular economy?

In a circular economy, much less is wasted because everything has value. Products are designed to last much longer and to be easily re-used, repaired and recycled.



### Examples of the circular economy at school?

Are your water bottles washed and reused each day?  
Are your trays washed and reused each day?  
Are your paper plates washed and reused each day?  
Are your plastic bottles washed and reused each day?  
Are your plastic cups washed and reused each day?  
Are your plastic containers washed and reused each day?  
Are your plastic bags washed and reused each day?  
Are your plastic bottles washed and reused each day?  
Are your plastic cups washed and reused each day?  
Are your plastic containers washed and reused each day?

### Did you know?

The production of multi-use items can have a much higher environmental impact than that of its single-use plastic alternative. For instance, a cotton tote bag needs to be reused 130 times to have the same global warming impact as a plastic bag. The key here is reuse.







# Share your journey

Let everyone know how your investigation has gone! Especially us – your audit results and action plan are important pieces of evidence to complete this stage of the journey.

## Update your Plastic Clever Schools wall

Put pictures up of your problem plastics and which ones you plan to take on.

## Share the results of your survey and audit

This will help pupils and teachers join your mission – Make sure the information is easy for everyone to understand.

## Don't forget to talk about your action plan

Once you've completed your action plan, add it to your Plastic Clever Schools wall and think about other ways you can share it – maybe ask your teacher to remind everyone in assembly to go have a look!



## KAP Club tip

Celebrate what you're doing with your local community! It's a great way to show off your good work, and highlight plastic pollution in a fun way: such as, through an ocean-themed movie night, or a coffee morning for parents and community members.

Amy



# Investigation Checklist



Completed the Plastic Clever Schools audit

Created our action plan

[Click here to share your evidence](#)



## KAP Club tip

It's not enough to just tell people not to litter or not to use plastic. Show them what really happens to our planet. That will get through to them better; this is their home and they need to protect it!

Ask your teachers for more education on this topic. Ocean Plastics Academy is a great place to start.

Raven

[Click here to learn more](#)



# Are you ready to act?

The final stage of your journey is all about action! You'll kick off your campaign, start to wave goodbye to single use plastics in your school and share your progress with everyone along the way.

## What to expect

You'll find out how to make a difference, taking inspiration from some incredible organisations around the world.

You'll use your action plan to tackle at least two of the problem plastics in your school, then get your friends and teachers to help you put it into action!

You'll share what you've found out through this journey and keep everyone informed on your progress!



## Actions to take

- Run a campaign to tackle at least 2 problem plastics in your school and share a picture of your campaign in action!
- Share photo evidence of two ways you have reduce plastic waste at school
- Shared your proudest moment and what you plan to tackle next!

## Need a spark of inspiration?

We've made a list of some of our favourite plastic pollution activists....

[Click here to learn more](#)





When you feel passionately about something, changing your own individual behaviour is a great place to start. But what if you want to create a change bigger than your own action?

You need to use something called advocacy. Advocacy means trying to inform and influence the people around you to feel passionately too.

Here are some ideas to help you become a great advocate -



# How to make a difference

## Learn

Research as much as you can so that you understand the issue and can speak confidently about it.

## Connect

Remember that there are lots of amazing people around the world working on this issue. Find ways to connect with other activists, organisations and community groups.

## Find your superpower

Think about the skills that you have that you can bring to this cause. Everyone has something they can use to help.

## Start small

Look for things you can do at home, in your school and in your local community first.

## Fight for not against

Rather than focusing on all the bad things that plastic pollution does, why not focus on why our ocean is so amazing and important to protect!

## Speak up

Don't be afraid to use your voice and find ways to share your message.

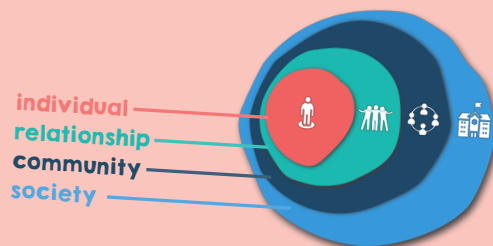
## Lead by example

Try and be a Plastic Clever role model so others can learn from you.



## Ripples of change

Your actions can become ripples that inspire others.



Who do you want to reach? What changes do you want to see?

One way to advocate is with a persuasive letter - Click here for an easy guide to get started.



# Guide to building effective campaigns

Click here to view our guide to building effective campaigns



Remember to use your action plan as the starting point for your campaign!



Act

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## Building effective campaigns

Building an effective campaign can feel like a big task. There are four things we need to remember when we are trying to make change.

### Give me a reason to do it

Sometimes the changes we need to make will require hard work and so it's important (and really useful) to know why you should take action.

#### Example

Help your community fall in love with the ocean by showing a documentary about all the amazing creatures in the sea.

### Show me how to do it

If we need to shift our behaviour then we need to know how. Sharing simple steps makes things feel much more achievable and we're more likely to start a new habit if we've got a good idea of how we can get started.

#### Example

Make a 'How-to' poster to help people reduce the amount of single-use plastic they use.

### Show me others doing it

It can really help to see other people taking action too - not only does it show us that change is possible, but it can inspire us to join the movement.

#### Example

Share the stories of your favourite environmental activists around the world.

### Make it easy for everyone to do

If we want our whole community to make change, then we need to ensure it's easy to do

#### Example

Create a petition to ask your local council to set up curb-side recycling so it's easy for everyone to do.

look on the next page for some fun ideas



# Take action!



Ready to wave goodbye to plastic waste? Here are a few ideas to get you started.

## Send a tweet!

You may need to ask an adult or teacher for help with this. Share your message online!

Check out the 'making waves' social media guidance on pg 4 if you're not sure where to start!

## Create posters to put up in plastic hotspots

## Give a presentation to your school leaders

## Plan an event

## Need money to make some of your ideas possible? Come up with a fun way to fundraise!

Sometimes learning about plastic pollution across the world can feel a bit overwhelming - it's easy to think that one person can't really make a difference.

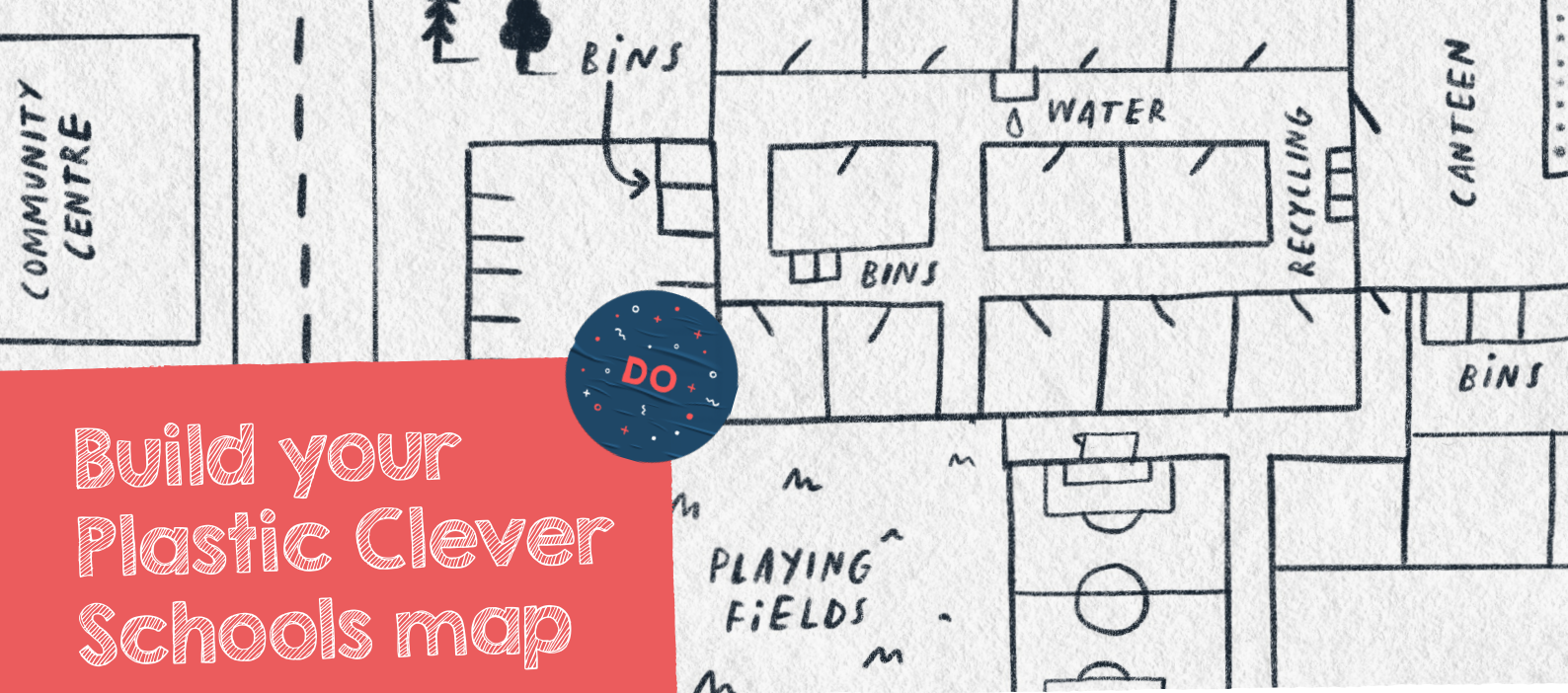
But all you have to do is think about someone like Greta Thunberg, the environmental activist.

Did you know that when Greta was 15 she started the Climate Strikes movement by sitting outside the Swedish Parliament to call for stronger action on climate change.

Her small action has inspired millions of students around the world to protest and she now speaks to world leaders, politicians and activists to address the climate crisis.







# Build your Plastic Clever Schools map

**Creating a map of your school and your local community is a really good way to reflect on your journey to become Plastic Clever, capture some key information about problem plastics and highlight some of the solutions now in place. It's also an excellent way to begin thinking about what you want to do next.**

**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. You might also want to include any popular local shops or places to eat outside of school, as these places can also often become hotspots.

**4.** 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.** Once you've created the map of your school, see how far you can extend it. Add in local recycling centres, plastic hotspots, water refill stations, parks and green spaces etc. Include ideas about local leaders and organisations who could help you take things further. Keep building - The idea of your Plastic Clever Schools map is for it to grow :)

**6.** Don't forget to display your map on your Plastic Clever Schools wall!



# Share your journey

Yay! It's time to celebrate all your hard work and share it with the rest of the Plastic Clever Schools community.

## Show us what you've achieved!

Share a picture of your campaign work in action and some of the changes you've made. Maybe show an area that used to be a plastic hotspot, or pupils using their reusable bottles. We can't wait to see the difference you've made!

## Show us the fun bits

Tell us what you've enjoyed most about the campaign. Have there been any interesting discoveries or big a-ha! moments?

## Get help

Why not ask your teacher to help you share what you've achieved on the schools website, or with a local newspaper to really capture the attention of your whole community and celebrate your amazing work!



## Be Proud

We hope you feel incredibly proud to be a Plastic Clever School. Tell us about your proudest moment and what you want to do next to tackle even more plastic items at school.





# Act Checklist



☐ Ran your campaign to tackle at least two problem plastics in your school

☐ Shared photo evidence

☐ Shared your proudest moment and what you plan to tackle next!

[Click here to share your evidence](#)



## KAP Club tip

It can get difficult when trying to be plastic clever but persevere and remember all the good you're doing! Don't be scared to help educate people around you who want to learn. Keep going!

Jaz



# Congratulations!

**Wow! How does it feel to be waving goodbye to single use plastics?**

If you've ticked off everything on your checklists, then you are really really close to becoming an official Plastic Clever School.

[Click here to submit your evidence](#)

To stay plastic clever, you'll need to keep on learning, doing and sharing to help your whole school and your community wave goodbye to single use plastic for good!

The work you have done to get this far is amazing and we are so excited to see where you go next!

**Welcome to the Plastic Clever Schools community!**  
**We're so happy to have you on board.**

## **Amy & Ella at Kids Against Plastic**

Kids Against Plastic was founded by teenagers Amy and Ella Meek. When they found out about the harm caused by plastic pollution they needed to do something about it. They created KAP - a charity by kids, for kids - to inspire and motivate others to take action too.

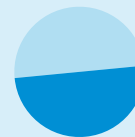
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## **Massive congratulations!**

### **Jo & Sarah at Common Seas**

Common Seas was founded by Ocean Explorer Jo Royle. We're a team of sea champions on a mission to quickly and significantly reduce the amount of plastic produced and stop it polluting our rivers and seas. We created Ocean Plastics Academy to empower the next generation of ocean superheroes to join our crew!



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