

What are you finding out?

This Part of the audit is designed to gather information on the number of single-use plastic items used in the lunchroom and staffroom each day!

Why is this information important?

The data you add to the table below will be added to results from other school areas as you complete each part. You'll be able to see which plastic items are your biggest problem at the end of the audit in the Results Tab!

The lunchroom and staffroom can be some of the worst areas for single-use plastic in schools.

Q10. How many single-use items are used in the lunchroom each day?

How do I find this information?

This information can be difficult to find so an estimate may be required! Here are few ideas for how you could find the numbers you need:

- 1. Make a tally chart to count items in the lunchroom one lunchtime. You can assume each day will be similar and use this to help you make an estimate.
- 2. Speak to the member of staff responsible for ensuring the lunchroom is stocked with enough items. They might be able to tell you how many they order each year. You can divide that number by the number of school days to make your estimate
- 3. Want to get your hands dirty? You could take a look through the bins at the end of lunch to count the single-use plastic items. (Make sure you get permission to do this first and <u>always</u> wear gloves and wash your hands after!)
- 4. Some items could be ordered once a week, month or even a year! To work out how many are used each day you can do the calculation yourselves or use the tool provided at the top of the page!

Single-use Plastic Item	Estimated number of items used per day
Sandwiches in plastic cartons	1.28
Plastic fruit pots	0
Plastic yoghurt pots	2.56
Large plastic milk bottles	0
Individual milk cartons or bottles	0
Plastic water bottles	0
Plastic plates and bowls	0
Plastic soft drink bottles	0
Single-use plastic cutlery	2.56
Single-use plastic cups	0
Plastic straws	0
Clingfilm rolls (100m)	0.25
Plastic bags	17

Q11. How many single-use items are used in the staffroom each day?

How do I find this information?

Just like question 10, you might need to estimate these answers. See if a member of staff can help you get the information you need. If you need to go into the staffroom for your investigation, make sure you get permission first.

Single-use Plastic Item	Estimated number of items used per day
Large plastic milk bottles	2.4
Individual milk pods or sachets	4.8
Plastic water bottles	0
Tetra Park soft drinks cartons	0
Plastic plates and bowls	0
Single-use plastic cutlery	0
Single-use plastic cups	0
Single-use coffee cups and plastic lids	2
Plastic stirrers	0
Plastic straws	0
plasters (waterproof)	0.6
vinyl gloves	1.5