

Update for Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board

Update from	Recycle for Wiltshire Joint Venture
Date of Area Board Meeting	8 November 2017

Headlines

- Cricklade Bloomers Grand Opening - On 23 September we joined the Bloomers to promote 'upcycling' unwanted household items in the garden and showed how to make a 'bug hotel' out of household waste. We followed this up with an opportunity to make your own zero-waste bird-feeder at the last Area Board meeting.
- Half-term Halloween events – we had a busy session story-telling and making Halloween crafts out of everyday household rubbish in RWB Library during this week and ran a popular pumpkin carving and soup making session at MOD Lyneham Community Centre to reduce pumpkin waste.
- Our Real Nappy network of volunteers – a couple of who, Tammy and Ellie, are based locally – won Wiltshire Wildlife Trust's Volunteer Group of the Year Award. The scheme gives parents living in Wiltshire the chance to try out cloth nappies at home for free. To find out more information or to trial one of our kits, please contact Nappies@wiltshirewildlife.org.
- We've been planning some fun sessions to encourage people to reduce waste this Christmas – we'll be running a Toiletries & Gift Sets workshop on 15 November in Cricklade and on 16 November in RWB and a Christmas cards, packaging and decorations workshop on 29 November in Cricklade and on 30 November in RWB.

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- We'll be judging the results this week of our 'Drop the Rubbish Attitude' litter campaign competition that Key Stage 3 'Success Lounge' students at the Royal Wootton Bassett Academy have taken part in. RWB Town Cllr Sue Hughes has been helping out with these sessions.
 - We've been giving more waste workshops to students at Lyneham Primary and St Bartholomew's RWB and run a staff training session and waste audit to make sure St Bartholomew's is recycling all they can and reducing waste. During November Aisling will be doing waste workshops with students at St Mary's CE Primary School, Purton.
 - We've been in touch with other local Primary Schools in the Area and are keen to work with them so please let us know if you can help us to book in our free sessions.

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- Chelsie's worked with Purton & Lydiard Scout Group to make sure they all know what to recycle at home and how to reuse rubbish with some upcycled wildlife gardening. She's been running sessions with children at Thames Preschool and a staff training session to help them recycle more and reduce waste, and they'll be going for our Wiltshire Waste Watcher Award. Chelsie's also run more sessions with the Little Stars Babes & Tots group in RWB to share more of our reducing rubbish, increase recycling tips.
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