

WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY

Hopes and Dreams Nursery School promotes an environmentally friendly and green orientated lifestyle in its daily work with children and adults. At the Nursery School, we closely monitor how we manage our waste and ensure we dispose of it in accordance with Local Authority requirements. We aim to reduce any kind of waste to a minimum and re-use what we can.

The Nursery School has been awarded the prestigious 'Gold Tidy Business Award' from Islington Council in recognition of the efforts made within the organisation to maintain a high level of waste management. This has been achieved in the following ways:

Energy Saving

- Our staff are aware of the need to minimise energy waste
- Energy-saving lights are being used within the Nursery School
- All appliances are switched off or unplugged promptly after use, or at the end of the working day, as necessary

Nappy Recycling

- Used nappies are considered to be hazardous waste; therefore, they are disposed of as clinical waste

Cardboard, Paper, Plastic and Glass Recycling

- A scheme to separate our everyday waste is in operation within Hopes and Dreams Nursery School. We are conscious not to waste our precious resources and of the effect that such waste can have on the environment
- On a daily basis, all waste is taken out into separate containers provided by Islington Council: bags for general waste and a recycling bin for recyclable waste are provided by Islington Council at our cost

Scrap Paper

- All paper that has been used on one side only and that does not contain any personal data is separated as scrap paper and is utilised for internal use, whether it is for us to take notes or to give to the children to scribble on

Printer Toners/Cartridges Recycling

- We recycle all used toners and cartridges at Hopes and Dreams Nursery School in association with Infotone with proceedings going to Action for Children charity.
- All parents and staff are very welcome to bring their toners and cartridges from home to be recycled and not to dispose of them along with their normal waste

Stamps

- Apart from the general recycling, we also recycle used stamps. The profits from this collection are once again being used to help blind and partially sighted people live with sight loss

Fones for Schools - Mobile Phone Recycling

- There is an ongoing collection of mobile phones in operation within the Nursery School
- All staff and parents are encouraged to bring their old or broken mobiles to the Nursery School, with or without chargers, to be recycled and re-used in third world countries
- The mobile phone collection is being run in co-operation with the Fones for Schools Campaigners

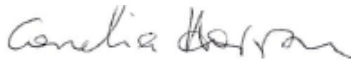
RECYCLART

- We aim to re-use all materials that are clean and suitable to use around children
- All clean containers, boxes, scrap paper and fabrics are being re-used by the children for art projects, which will be displayed around the Nursery School

Battery Recycling

- When batteries are disposed of along with general waste, they can pollute thousands of gallons of our precious water resources. Therefore, we are collecting all batteries used in cameras and other appliances and sending them off to be disposed of correctly
- We encourage all parents and staff to bring any used batteries from home for us to recycle

Reviewed on: August 2019

Signed on behalf of the Nursery School: 

Next review date: August 2020