

Michael Recycle Challenges

Here are some fun challenges linked to the book 'Michael Recycle' that you can do over the week.

1. Ask a grown up to show you the electric or gas meter at home. Do you know what they are for? Can you write down the meter reading every day and ask a grown up to help you work out how much gas or electricity you have used over the day. If possible, try to take the meter reading at the same time every day. Which day did you use more electricity or gas? Is there a reason for it? Which day did you use less? Why? What could you do to save gas or electric?
2. Go for a walk in your local area. This may be to the beach, park or around the streets. Can you see any rubbish on the floor? With a grown up maybe you would like to look after the environment by doing a litter pick. Make sure though you do not pick up anything sharp, wear gloves and always ask a grown up if it's ok to pick up a piece of rubbish. Did you know that if all the plastic in the sea was stacked on top of each other, it would reach to the moon and back twice! That's a huge amount of rubbish, so every little bit that you pick up helps our world.
3. Search around your house and make a tally of all the plastic you find. I bet it is a lot. Think of ways that you could reduce the amount of plastic you use. Maybe you could use refillable bottles instead of buying bottled drinks, reuse your plastic carrier bags etc... Write a list of ways you could reduce the amount of plastic you use and see if you can stick to it. Watch the video link below to find out why plastic is so bad for our Earth.
4. Can you help at home to do the recycling? Look at the coloured bags and discuss with a grown up what materials go in which bag. Maybe you can help to sort the materials into the correct bag.