



Quick Guide 2: Integrating West Sussex Wastebuster in Your Curriculum

This guide supports Headteachers, Curriculum Leads, and Teachers in all state-funded primary and secondary schools in West Sussex, helping to integrate environmental education and sustainability into their curriculum.

Purpose

This guide helps schools incorporate Wastebuster resources and activities into the curriculum, supporting both sustainability education and key DfE sustainability objectives, as well as Ofsted's broader inspection criteria on leadership, personal development, and curriculum enrichment.

How to Embed Environmental Education Through Wastebuster

Environmental education and sustainable development education are increasingly vital elements of the UK curriculum. These areas align with key subject areas such as science, geography, and PSHE, while also supporting broader educational goals around leadership, citizenship, and personal development. By fostering an understanding of sustainability, schools can develop students' critical thinking and problem-solving skills, encouraging them to become environmentally responsible citizens. The Wastebuster programme enhances this learning through practical resources, activities, and real-world eco-challenges, offering opportunities for curriculum enrichment and personal growth.

Key Benefits

- **Comprehensive Learning:** Access subject-specific lesson plans for STEAM, science, geography, and PSHE.
- **DfE Climate Strategy Support:** Wastebuster resources equip students with essential sustainability skills, meeting national education priorities.
- **Support for Ofsted Inspections:** Demonstrate strong curriculum development and community engagement through sustainability initiatives.
- **Student Engagement:** Engage students through eco-challenges like the Planet Protector Challenge.

Quick Start Steps

- **Download curriculum-aligned resources** from the Wastebuster website.
- Identify activities that match subject goals.
- Implement and integrate these resources into lesson plans.

Core Features and Tools

- **Curriculum-aligned lesson plans**, case studies, and activity planners that meet DfE guidelines.
- **Interactive tracking tools** to measure sustainability impact.
- Integration with other schools, companies, and local groups for collaborative projects.

Best Practices and Tips

- Use the **Climate Action Plan framework** to align activities with both curriculum goals and sustainability targets.
- Collaborate across departments to develop cross-curricular sustainability projects.

Measuring Success

- Track student engagement and educational outcomes through participation in eco-projects.
- Use **reports** to provide evidence of curriculum enhancement and community impact during inspections.

FAQs

- ***What subjects do the Wastebuster resources support?***

Use our **Resource database** to find Curriculum-aligned resources for science, geography, and PSHE, equipping students with real-world sustainability skills.

- ***How can we demonstrate sustainability progress to Ofsted?***

Login and visit **Your Account** to track your environmental actions, report activity and savings, and see your school's impact.

Additional Support and Contact Information

- Contact us: info@wastebuster.co.uk
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