

Teachers' and Pupils' Comments

The following comments are typical of the feedback that is received from teachers, following visits from the Devon Waste Educators – Resource Futures:

“A strong message at an appropriate level.”

Jane O’Loughlin, The Duchy School, Bradninch

“A very well balanced and enjoyable workshop. Alex has a lovely manner with the children and kept them engaged and on task”

Kate Harrison, Bishopsteignton Primary School

“Emma had excellent positivity and enthusiasm. She used a good range of vocabulary to appeal to all abilities. Great explanation and message to the children.”

Natalie Miller, Hazeldown Primary School

“Really good activity and Sally had a lot of knowledge and facts and figures that were relevant. Thanks!”

Mr Lang, Willand Primary School

“A brilliant mix of interactive and listening - children enjoyed and could bring their previous learning to the fore.”

Anne Bunning, Holsworthy Primary School

“The children had a brilliant time and loved all the activities especially the mini beasts. The follow up activities really extended their knowledge and they could use the information from the input. Thank you for a great session!”

Vicki Allen, Yealmpstone Primary School

When pupils are asked what they liked about their session, typical responses are:

“Weighing the rubbish. Seeing what the teachers had thrown away.”

Waste Audit

“Spotting the differences between the two houses. Learning some good ideas to talk about at home.” **3Rs house**

“Running around the hall. Pretending to be a plant growing. Making a long millipede.” **Minibeasts in the compost bin**

“Planting the plants, seeing the minibeasts, using the magnifying glass, drawing the minibeasts.” **Growing plants workshop**

“Going through all of the packed lunch rubbish, getting messy, sorting the rubbish into groups, thinking of one thing that I could do to make less rubbish.” **Packed Lunch Audit**

“Running with my group, finding out what went where and scoring the teams, doing the bonus questions.” **Recycling game**

“Finding animals in the compost, watching the centipede run around.” **Habitats and Food Chains**

“Seeing how good we are at recycling.” **Paper Audit**

When children are asked if there was anything they didn't like about the session, typical responses are:

“Smell of rubbish from playground. Bin juice! Boring to pick up little bits of rubbish.” **Waste Audit**

“The smell, the stinky yoghurt, that some people had wasted whole pieces of fruit.” **Packed Lunch Waste Audit**

“I didn't like the slugs” **Habitats and Food Chains**

When children are asked what they learnt from the session, typical responses are:

“What can be recycled and what can't, how much waste the school makes, how much rubbish is produced everyday at home, what we waste.” **Waste Audit**

“To eat more of our packed lunch. Try and get things with less packaging.” **Packed Lunch Audit**

“That plants need nutrients to grow big, that there are lots of different types of slugs, to water my plant 3 times a week” **Growing plants workshop**

“That I can reuse plastic bags, about water butts - I am going to ask my mum to get one, about wind up radios and torches - they don't need batteries” **3Rs House**

“The different things you can recycle in different places” **Recycling Game**

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