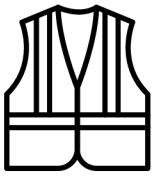
Recycle Devon

Hints and Tips for a Safe Litter Pick or Beach Clean

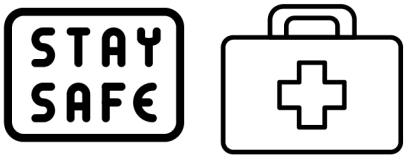
Follow our guide so you have a good experience with your class. We advise that you also complete a risk assessment in accordance with your school policy and follow any recommendations from that too.

Make sure your class:

- **Dress for the weather** – wrap up well if it's cold or windy, waterproof coats and boots if rainy and loose clothing with a hat if hot and sunny

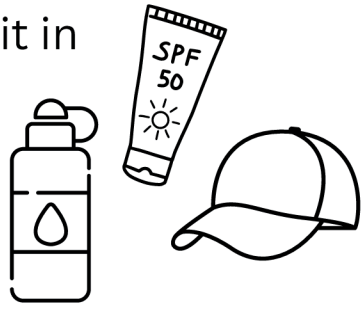


- **Can be seen** – everyone needs to wear a high vis vest



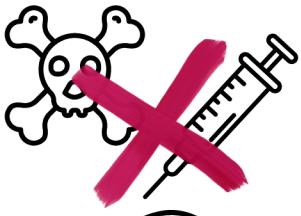
- **Stay safe** – young people should not pick litter on slippery or steep surfaces

- **Avoid nettles, thorny hedges and bramble patches** – guard against scratches and carry a first aid kit in case young people do get scratched



- **Drink plenty of water** – everyone should bring water bottles (refillable of course!)

- **Wear sunscreen and hats** – even a cloudy day can burn fair skinned people



- **Don't go on roads** – keep young people away from roads

- **Don't pick up hazardous materials** – e.g. needles, medical waste, dead animals

- **Check tide times if beach cleaning**