

# PRESCHOOL



## Wise up on Waste – Preschool – Waste Management

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## Why work at waste at school?

#### **Problem Statement**

South Africa produces 470 million tons of waste a year. Each person produces almost 2kg of domestic waste A DAY. Most of this waste is dumped and buried in budfill or waste dump sites. This causes precious resources to be wasted and the physical state of many of the landfill sites create HUGE environmental problems as well as HEALTH problems for those living close by. This situation is totally unacceptable and unsustainable.

"The government will promote the education and empowerment of South Africa's people with regards to integrated pollution and waste management by increasing their awareness of and concern for pollution and waste, and assisting in the developing of the knowledge, skills, values and commitment necessary for successful integrated management." http://easd.org.za/sapol/polwp6&7.htm#7.2

## How are you going to create awareness and concern for waste at your school?

#### The Bill of Rights

The most pertinent fundamental right in the context of integrated pollution and waste management is the Environmental Right (s 24) which provides that:

"Everyone has the right

a. to an environment that is not harmful to their health or well-beina; and

b. to have the environment protected, for the benefit of present and future generations, through reasonable legislative and other measures that

- (i) prevent pollution and ecological degradation;
- (ii) promote conservation; and (iii) secure ecologically sustainable development and the use of natural resources while promoting justifiable economic and social development.



degradation are prevented.

## Why involving preschools in Waste Education?

#### The Broader picture

Schools play a major role in the education of tomorrow's consumers and decision makers. Involving your learners, at a very young age, reducing the amount of waste produced by your school can give them a broader perspective and start them thinking about their wider responsibilities to both community and the environment.



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#### **Involving learners**

•Waste education requires these young learners to relate their learning to their everyday life, both at school and at home.

•Waste education can empower learners by getting them involved to reduce waste.

•Hands-on activities using waste can make learners aware of reusing materials.

#### The curriculum

Waste education can provide a way of linking Grade R National Curriculum Statement With the ages 4-5 and 2-3.



## ACTIVITIES



The activities are based on the Grade R curriculum working "backwards" to develop skills and knowledge at a younger age level.

## **Mathematics**

#### Learning Outcome 1: NUMBERS, OPERATIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS

The learner will be able to recoanize, describe and represent numbers and their relationships, and to count, estimate, calculate and check with 🚕 🛓 competence and confidence in solving problems

Count waste objects such as old bottle tops.

Using old games to recognize numbers.

#### Learning Outcome 3: SPACE AND SHAPE (GEOMETRY)

The learner will be able to describe and represent characteristics and relationships between two-dimensional shapes and three-dimensional objects in a variety of orientations and positions.



Waste comes in all

## Literacy

#### Learning Outcome 1: LISTENING

The learner will be able to listen for information and enjoyment, and respond appropriately and

critically in a wide range of situations.



Discuss what we can do with waste

#### Learning Outcome 3: READING AND VIEWING

The learner will be able to read and view for information and enjoyment, and respond critically to the aesthetic, cultural and emotional values in texts.

> Use old magazines and newspaper to identify pictures.



#### Learning Outcome 2: SPEAKING

The learner will be able to communicate confidently and effectively in spoken language in a wide range of situations.

The learner will be able to collect, summarize, display and critically analyze data in order to draw conclusions and make predictions, and to interpret and determine chance variation.

We can sort waste and then send it to recyclers to be recycled.

#### Learning Outcome 4: WRITING

The learner will be able to write different kinds of factual and imaginative texts for a wide range of purposes.

Learning Outcome 6: LANGUAGE STRUCTURE AND USE

The learner will know and be able to use the sounds, words and grammar of the language to create and interpret texts.

#### Learning Outcome 5: THINKING AND REASONING

The learner will be able to use language to think and reason, as well as to access. process and use information for learning.

> Why do you waste?

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## Learning Outcome 2: PATTERNS, FUNCTIONS AND ALGEBRA

The learner will be able to recognize. describe and represent patterns and relationships, as well as to solve problems using algebraic language and skills.

#### Learning Outcome 4: MEASUREMENT

The learner will be able to use appropriate measuring units, instruments and formulae in a variety of contexts.

too full, you are wasting water. How many steps do I need to take to reach the dustbin?

•The bucket is

## Learning Outcome 5: DATA HANDLING

## ACTIVITIES



### Life Skills



#### Poster

A fun bilingual poster. Link each character or what the character does with waste. This guide will provide you with an idea for each letter of the alphabet.



#### Module

This module will focus on the first 5 weeks of pre-schooling. It does not mean though that this is the only time 'waste education; will take place.

This section will make learners more aware of waste.



### CD

A CD with notes, module, poster, workshop pictures and ideas.







Alarm: Make an 'Alarm' if you see somebody wasting.

popiere in die Asblik. Asblik: Gooijou Pupiere III ure Aspirk as Maak soos 'n alarm as Wiemand sien mors.

Air: We need clean air to breath.



Bottle: Reuse bottles. Reduce by purchasing big bottles of cold drink, rather than a few small ones.

Bottel: Hergebruik jou bottels. Verminder die gebruik van glas om eerder een groot bottel te koop as klomp kleintjies.

Bin: Always have a bin for your waste!



**Can:** Collect and sort cans to be recycled. **Cartoon:** Use waste to make teaching aids, toys, aifts etc. **CD:** Use old CDs to make decorations or use as coasters.

**Community:** Every person in the community is responsible to keep the environment clean.



Dustbin: Throw it in the dustbin.not on the floor. Decoration: Decorate objects using waste.



Elerhouers: Gebruik eiethouers in kuns en

kultuur.

Elerdoppe. Gool

eierdoppe in jou

komposhoop.

**Dump:** Don't dump rubbish anywhere but in the rubbish bin!



Egg containers: Use various egg containers in Arts and Culture.

Egg shells: Throw eggshells in your compost.

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Earth: We have only one earth, so we better look after it.





























Paper: Replace paper serviettes with material serviettes that you can reuse.

Papier: Vervang popierservette met pupierservene met wat W kon hergebruik.

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**Paper:** Don't throw your papers on the ground, throw it in the rubbish bin.



Queen: You are a Queen or a King when you don't waste.



Quickly: There's only one way to deal with rubbish and that is quickly.



**Scoop:** Scoop it up and throw it into the bin. (Make your own rhyme or song to go with it)



**Sort:** Sort rubbish so that it can be recycled.



Rainbow:



Tiots: Wees trots op 'n

skoon skool.

**Noise:** Loud noise is also a form of pollution.



Tire: Use old tires to make an obstacle course.

Organic: Organic products are good for you.

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Here's the recipe for making your own paper and this is another great idea for recycling.

## You'll need:

- \* Old newspapers
- ÷ A bucket
- ÷ Water
- ÷ A wooden spoon
- ÷ A square tray or pan
- ÷ Thin mesh or netting
- ÷ A flat piece of wood

## Method:

Tear up 2 sheets of newspaper, place it in the bucket and add 5 cups of ١. water and leave it to soak over night.

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- When the paper is soft mush it into a pulp with your hands. 2.
- Pour about 2cm depth of water into the pan and place the mesh in the З. pan.
- Take a cupful of mushy paper and pour it over the mesh and spread the 4. pulp evenly over the mesh using your fingers.
- Carefully lift the mesh and place it on newspaper to drain. 5.
- Put newspaper on top of the pulp and turn it over so that the mesh is 6. now on top.
- Place your wood on the newspaper and push it down to squeeze out the 7. water.
- Remove the top newspaper and the mesh. Leave the pulp to dry for at 8. least 24 hours.









## Litter Detectives

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This project is there to help learners to develop a positive attitude against littering.

### You'll need:

✤ Garbage bags

\* A map of the school buildings and grounds

## What to do:

I.Ask learners what littering is. Ask learners if any of them have littered. Do they know of area's in and around the school where litter can be found?

2.Learners go to the places where litter was identified and collect the litter.

3. Mark the area on the map and move to the next area. Repeat this activity as often as possible so that you can keep your school litter free.

•By marking the areas on the map, you do not waste time to go to the same spot before cleaning the whole school.



