

Learning every day in every way through play

Recycling and reusing at home

Everyday routines

Learning activities about recycling and reusing:

- Collect materials with your child that can be used for craft and creation, for example old bottle top lids for collage or old boxes to create cubby houses.
- Sort the recycling into plastics, cardboard and glass and discuss with your child why we recycle. Research what can and can't be recycled.
- Think about ways to reuse materials in your home, encourage your child to suggest ideas. For example, materials that could be used as wrapping paper.
- If you have leftovers after dinner, talk to your child about how you could use that food tomorrow.
- Sort out clothes that don't fit your child anymore and ask them to come up with ideas of how they could be reused and recycled.

What children are learning:

- The importance of sustainability in everyday actions
- Using creativity and imagination to use materials in different ways
- Caring for the environment
- Developing language skills to discuss what they are creating
- Reduce, reuse and recycle
- Awareness of waste