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## **Waste Education Team**

### **Our Aim:-**

To promote and encourage learning and practical action to reduce waste and improve resource efficiency in Devon's schools and their surrounding communities.



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## Devon County Council

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The cost of workshops to Devon schools (excluding Torbay and Plymouth) is £65 + VAT per day. During a day's visit we can deliver up to three workshops, plus an assembly if required. Terms and conditions apply. Please contact your Waste Education Officer for details.













# Energy Recovery Plants

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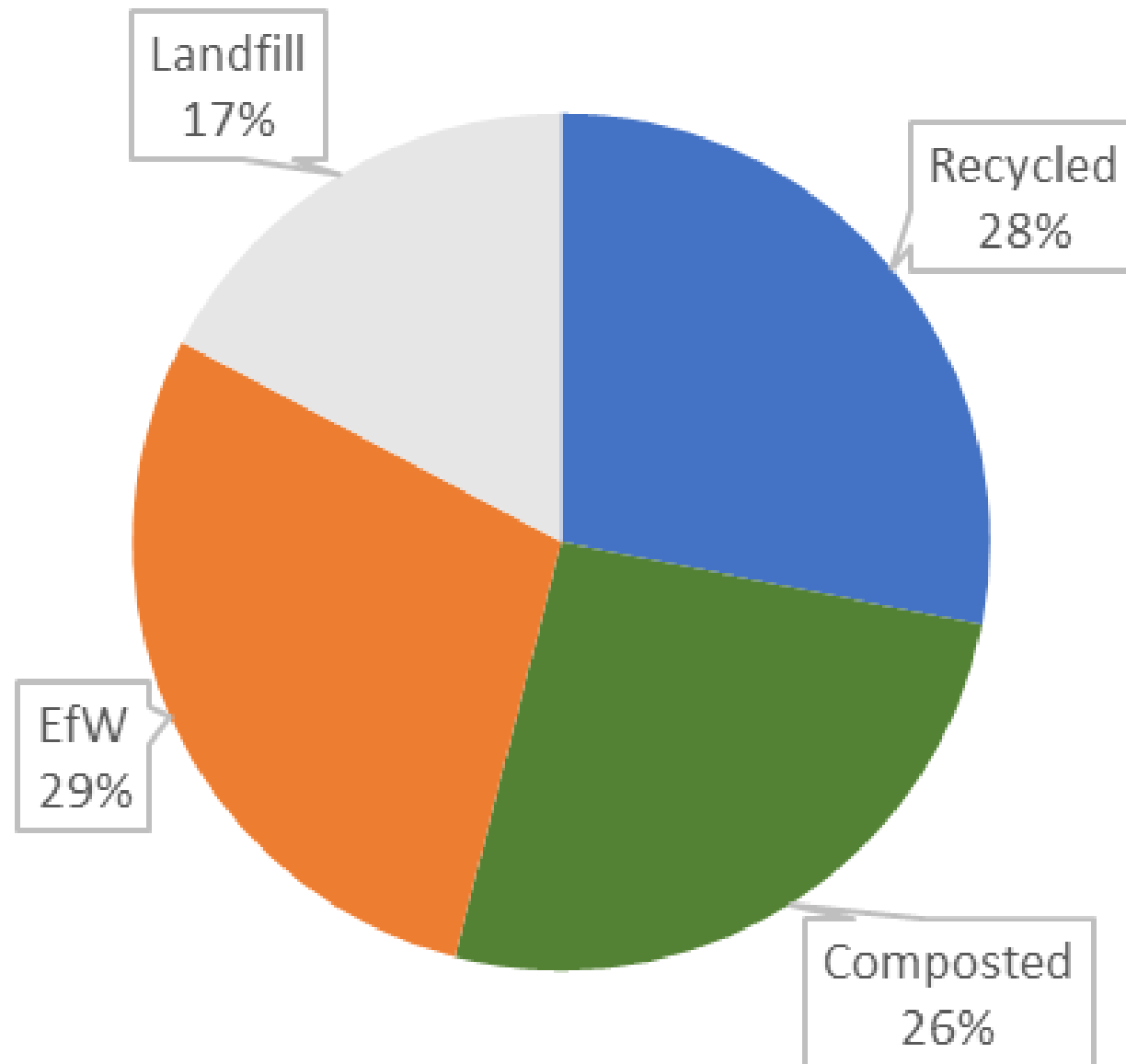


Exeter Energy from Waste Plant



Plymouth Energy from Waste Plant

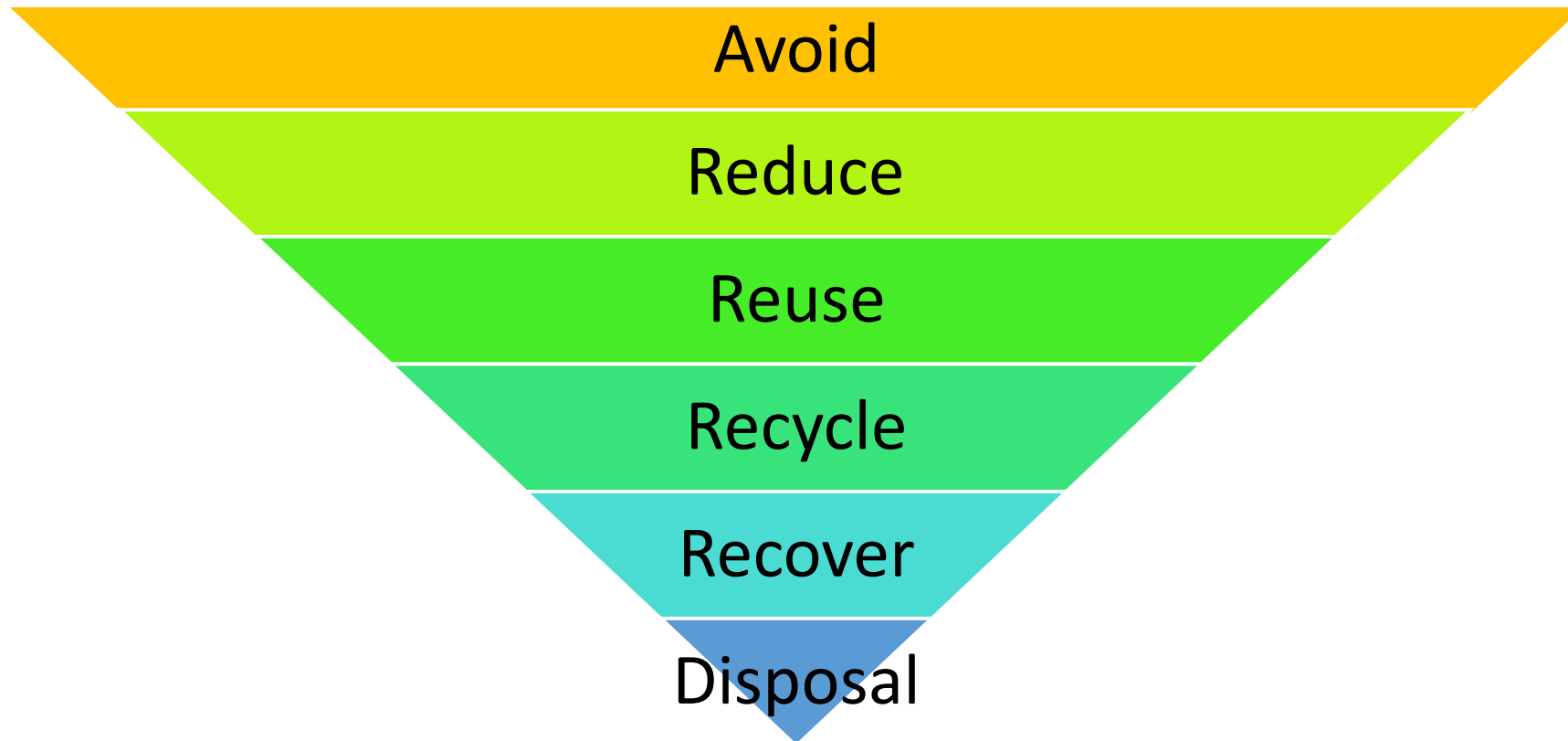
# Household Waste by Treatment Method 2017/18





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## Waste Hierarchy





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What we offer schools





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## **Waste Action Support Programme**

- Aims to engage whole school – SLT, teachers, students & support staff
- Free to limited number of schools
- 1<sup>st</sup> waste audit to set baseline waste figure
- Action plan with children and staff
- Targeted workshops, assemblies & staff meetings
- 2<sup>nd</sup> waste audit & celebration of results



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## Examples of good practice – last year

Uffculme Academy Trust (1° & 2°)

- increased their recycling and composting rate from 11% to 84% and saved £644.60 a year by changing their bins.

Totnes St John's C of E Primary School

- increased their recycling and composting rate from 37% to 81%.





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## Free School trips to waste management facilities

### Recycling Centre

- Pinbrook Road



### Energy from Waste Facility

- Exeter EfW
- Plymouth

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## Practical Advice & Support

- Devon schools spend around **£300,000/year** managing their waste.
- Online 'How to' Guides
  - Reduce
  - Reuse
  - Recycle







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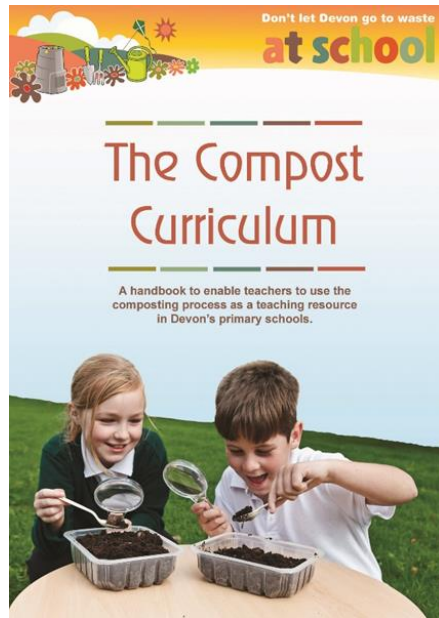
## Hints and tips to save money for your school:

- Minimise waste – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
- Check your waste contract with the bins you actually have – are you paying the correct amount?
- Are you making full use of your District Council's recycling offer?

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## Composting in School



**Compost Curriculum Handbook** - Curriculum-linked KS2 lesson plan and an Eco Team activity for each school month

A practical guide to  
composting food waste in  
schools





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## Secondary workshops & assemblies

- Impact Days – whole school involvement
- Litter in the Environment
- Dying for a New Phone
- Really Rubbish Quiz
- Waste Audits
- Recycling at Home Game
- Trading Game



**Book online now!**









## Primary Curriculum Linked Workshops & Assemblies

- Recycled Materials Challenge (KS2)
- Compost and Growing Plants (KS1-2)
- Plastic Pirates (KS1) Marine Litter (KS2)
- Materials (Y1-2)
- Material World (Y 5-6)
- Papermaking
- Love Food Hate Waste (Y5 & 6)
- Waste Audits (KS2)
- Batteries and Alternative Circuits (KS2)




# Website – free online resources and videos

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**Workshops and Assemblies**  
Curriculum linked Waste Education activities brought to your School

**3Rs** **Compost** **Rubbish** **Fun Stuff** **Teachers**

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**Schools Sustainability Bulletin**

We send out a Devon Schools Sustainability Bulletin every half term. It includes information and opportunities relating to school gardening, composting, funding, waste and recycling

[Sign up here](#)



## Devon Schools Sustainability Bulletin

- Half termly bulletin for everyone in your school interested in waste and sustainability issues
- Already sent to most admin@ email addresses so check yours!
- Sign up online – or fill in a form today





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## Networking & Events

- FREE Teacher Training each year
- Growing Devon Schools Partnership  
[www.growingdevonschools.org.uk](http://www.growingdevonschools.org.uk)
- Sustainability & Outdoor Learning in Devon (SOLID)



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## Ecoschools

- <https://www.eco-schools.org.uk/>
- Brilliant and extensive programme for making your school more sustainable with proven water, energy and waste savings, leading to money saved for your school
- Actions are all pupil driven – leading to much more engagement in the issues from the student body, plus lots of learning opportunities
- Green Flags are highly prized and worth shouting about!



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## Sustainable schools

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/top-tips-for-sustainability-in-schools>
- [http://se-ed.co.uk/edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/Top-Tips\\_Purchasing.pdf](http://se-ed.co.uk/edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/Top-Tips_Purchasing.pdf)
- <http://www.se-ed.co.uk/sites/default/files/resources/Framework%20Resource.pdf>





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## Some top tips for a more sustainable school:

- If you do only one thing – *educate your staff and children to turn off water and energy-using appliances when not in use*
- Engage the wider school community – from caretakers to new intake of students – so everyone plays a part
- Buy recycled products – demand for these items increases the market for them
- Share best practice – shout about what works well



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Any Questions?

Any Answers?

- How can we support you as business managers?
- Would a sharing platform of “stuff” between schools be useful?
- Is this happening informally anyway?



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