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Recycle to Read Batteries Collection

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our school is recycling batteries to protect the planet. Our Eco Ambassadors led an assembly on Friday to tell the children the reasons why battery recycling is important and how we will be collecting used non-rechargeable batteries in school. We also have a chance to win book vouchers for the school through the Pod's recycling initiative. We need your help!

How can you help?

1. Hunt out used batteries at home. We are collecting AA, AAA, C, D, 9V and button batteries.
2. Tape over the contacts of lithium (Li) and button batteries (see below).
3. Put them in a tied plastic bag (preferably reused)
4. Take them to the school's collection point: **Please ask your child to give them to their class teacher, who can ensure they get to the right place.**
5. Enter the prize draw at jointhepod.org/win

Safety first:

Not only is storing and recycling batteries safely great for the environment, it can also help reduce risks associated with batteries:

- **Batteries can cause serious injury or death if swallowed, please keep batteries out of reach of young children and pets – especially button batteries.**
- Lithium and button batteries need to be taped so their contacts don't touch, as they could short circuit if they do.



Please use sticky tape over the contacts (top and bottom of batteries). Button batteries can be placed in a line between two sections of sticky tape. Lithium batteries can look like any battery, but they will have lithium (Li) written on them.

Many thanks for your support and happy battery hunting!

To find out more, head to: jointhepod.org/batteries

Mrs Wing
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