

Scoil Naomh Iosaf Green School Committee



Dear Parents / Guardians

As you may know we are currently working hard throughout our school to achieve our Green Flag. We are aiming to:

1. Significantly reduce the amount of waste we put in the bin each week for landfill.
2. Improve the overall appearance and tidiness of our school and its grounds.
3. Increase awareness of the benefits of recycling amongst the pupils, our families and our friends

To help us to reduce, re-use and recycle waste we have listed below some suggested guidelines to try to follow when packing lunches:



- Re-useable drink bottles
- Re-useable lunch boxes
- Wrap sandwiches in kitchen paper
- Bring more fruit (Wednesday is now Official Piece of Fruit day at school)



- Drinks in cartons
- Plastic bags / cling film
- Tin foil - not recyclable!

Following even just a few of these will make a BIG difference to the amount of waste we generate at school. We also now have facilities for recycling **old mobile phones** (for charity) and **batteries** at school so please bring them in and we will put them to good use.

We are also planning a **recycling-in-action trip to Mungret recycling centre** and participation in the **National Spring Clean day** - more details of these initiatives will follow.

You can follow our progress on our fabulous new school website *: **www.scoilnaomhiosafadare.com** , Activities, Green School. Over time we plan to reduce the amount of paper notes to parents and replace with texts and messages appearing on our website.

Thank you from the Scoil Naomh Iosaf Green School Committee

* Special thanks to Geoffrey Doran at Adare IT Solutions - **www.adareits.com** for designing and maintaining our website.