

# BOURNE ELSEA PARK CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to be taking part in the Big Battery Hunt as part of our work for Waste Week 2019. The Big Battery Hunt gives pupils the opportunity to be pioneers in an exciting recycling challenge to encourage everyone nationwide to recycle more batteries.

We launched the campaign in an assembly where the children learnt about the problem with throwing away batteries. Each year we throw away about 600 million batteries. Over 20,000 tonnes of batteries end up in landfill sites - that's as heavy as 4,000 elephants. It can take batteries 100 years to decompose and they contain chemicals that can pollute the soil and water, which animals and plants rely on to survive.

You may have noticed our new battery-recycling container in the school foyer where we are collecting all of our batteries. Each child today received a battery-recycling box to collect as many used batteries as possible. Once they have collected their batteries they need to return their box to their class teacher as we will be keeping track of how many batteries each class has recycled.



Please note only the following four types of battery can be recycled - AAA, AA, C and D.

Big Battery Hunt want to hear about the best battery recycling pioneers - these are pupils and schools that really get behind the challenge and encourage others to do the same. Last year, one pupil collected over 2,000 batteries by herself. Just imagine how many we can collect as a school.

Remember... every battery counts! By taking part in the Big Battery Hunt, you will be doing something amazing to help the planet.

Thank you for continued support,

Yours sincerely,

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