

Reusing items is a fantastic way to foster community values while also reducing waste and giving new life to things that might otherwise be thrown away. Schools play a crucial role in teaching students the value of reusing and developing lifelong habits that benefit our planet.

**HERE ARE SOME FUN AND IMPACTFUL WAYS SCHOOLS CAN ENCOURAGE REUSE:**

**DONATE OLD CLOTHES AND TOYS**

Encourage students and families to donate used clothes and toys to local charities. This helps those in need while keeping items out of landfill.



**ORGANIZE A GARAGE SALE**

Host a school or class garage sale.



Remember: one kid's trash is another kid's treasure! This is a great way to raise funds for school projects while promoting the reuse of pre-loved items.

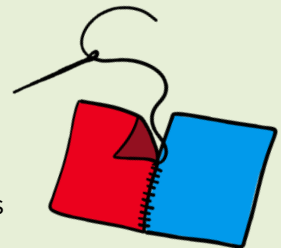
**COLLECT MATERIALS FOR THE ART DEPARTMENT**

Setup collection bins for items that can be repurposed in art projects such as:

- Jars
- Egg Cartons
- Toilet Rolls
- Fabric scraps
- Bottle Caps
- Newspapers and Magazines
- Cardboard boxes
- Ribbon
- Wrapping paper

**TEACH KIDS TO SEW AND REPAIR CLOTHES**

Incorporate sewing and basic clothing repair into lessons. Teaching kids how to mend their clothes helps reduce fashion waste and fosters valuable life skills.



**SET UP A SCHOOL SWAP EVENT**

Organize a swap day where students can exchange books, stationary, clothing, even fruit and vegies from home garden. This fosters a sharing culture while ensuring items are reused instead of discarded.



**REUSE SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

Encourage students to take care of their school supplies and reuse notebooks, folders, and binders before buying new ones.



Set up a "Gently Used" supply station where students can donate and pick up needed items.

This is also great for preloved uniforms!