

Project title: Litter pick and survey

Wednesday 10th Feb Limited Screen Time Day

Inspired by our very own Ben Thornbury (year 11) – Malmesbury Town Junior Citizen of the year- you might like to take part in a litter pick and survey. The aim of this is to improve the local environment while investigating what type of litter is most commonly dropped around the area.

Before going out make sure you have a bin bag, disposable gloves and a litter picker if you have one. The survey form and a pen will also be needed along with a clipboard or something to lean on.

Spend 30 to 60 mins in your local area picking up litter from the paths, roads and hedges. As you do, complete the survey form identifying the type and number of pieces of litter you have collected.

Once back at home, present your results in an appropriate bar chart. See the help sheets for further guidance. Don't forget to make it colourful, label your axes and give it a title. We would love to see your efforts so why not email photos of the litter you've collected and your graphs to your science teachers? We might be able to share it on our Facebook page.

Important health and safety advice:

Make sure you are wearing gloves and that you wash your hands with soap and water as soon as you get home.

Do not touch broken glass. If you want to pop home for a dustpan and brush that would be good – you might just save a dog a cut foot!

Do not try and clear up dog poo. It's disgusting that some people do not clear up after their animals but it's not your job to do this. Let's hope for some heavy rain.

Dispose of all your collected litter in the appropriate bins. Recycle as much as you can.

