



9 October 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

## Re: Recycling and the environment

We want all our students to have an appreciation of the impact of waste on the world and to be aware of how waste can be reduced or disposed of responsibly. Last year we facilitated the recycling of paper, plastic bottles, biscuit and chocolate wrappers, and batteries in school. This year we will add ink cartridges to the list. Many students print at home using inkjet printers and it can be difficult to recycle these cartridges so they often go into general waste. However, the Friends of Soham Village College have signed up to an initiative run by 'The Ink Bin' who collect and reuse cartridges to help to reduce waste going to landfill.

An inkjet cartridge recycle bin is now situated at the recycling point in the foyer of the school library where students can drop empty HP or Canon ink cartridges (see picture below).

The school is also reviewing all waste disposal systems and is partnering with a company that provides bespoke waste disposal solutions which will help us reduce our environmental impact. There will be a series of assemblies highlighting this issue and looking at further ways we can reduce our environmental impact.

Kind regards,

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