

Introducing Eastex - Norfolk Materials Exchange - A FREE resource for schools

A materials exchange actively exploits the principle that one organisation's waste is another's raw material. By automatically matching these parties via the internet, unwanted materials can be efficiently passed on or sourced - either once or as an ongoing arrangement. It delivers real financial savings for schools, businesses, charitable organisations and individuals and keeps potentially useful materials in circulation.

Eastex is a free online information service where organisations and individuals view and place information about redundant stock and surplus raw materials. It comprises six localised Exchanges, based in Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Norfolk and Suffolk, to which day-to-day administrative responsibility is devolved.

By signing up your school for FREE you can demonstrate your commitment to reducing waste in Norfolk and save money in the process by reusing surplus materials and resources in art, design and technology classes etc.

Your local coordinator Alun Housago has been working in local authority in waste management and recycling for ten years and is a Chartered Waste Manager and a Chartered Environmentalist - so he's quite good at talking rubbish! Please contact Alun if you have any questions about the exchange or if you would like any assistance or advice in passing on or searching for materials.

As part of this programme Alun is also available to visit you on-site at no cost to you, to assist your commitment to the environment by helping you to hunt out those things you never knew you didn't need any more. He can also give impartial advice about ways you can manage waste and surplus materials and ultimately save you money. Call or email to arrange a convenient time for you.

Remember, almost everything you have going spare can be posted on the site - so empty out that storage area, get rid of your clutter, let someone else get the benefit from it - it will make you feel good! On the other hand, you may just find something that you've been looking for on the site and can strike a deal. Either way everyone's a winner, don't delay, have a look today!

Best regards from the Eastex team

Call us on 01603 222089

Or

Visit the Materials Exchange

www.eastex.org.uk/norfolk