

Think Recycling



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Seeing Recycling In Operation

Novelis receives many requests from schools wanting to visit the recycling plant. But regrettably for Health and Safety reasons it is not possible for school age children to visit the plant and see recycling at 'first hand'.

However Novelis is actively involved in projects to inform and educate the general public about the need to recycle. These include:

Cheshire: Catalyst Science Discovery Centre (www.catalyst.org.uk)

Extensive education programme linking science, and in particular chemistry to Key Stages 1-4

The programme includes 'What a Waste' – a 45 minute presentation in a 3D interactive cinema, which includes a 'virtual plant tour' of the Novelis aluminium can recycling plant.

Midlands: Think Tank, Birmingham Science Museum (www.thinktank.ac)

"Recycle It!" Explores the surprising science behind domestic recycling. Includes interactive exhibits and workshops, and an outreach education programme is available too.

Local Authority Recycling Programmes

Most local authorities run waste awareness and education projects and will often allow schools the opportunity to visit landfill sites and materials recycling operations. Many also have dedicated waste education teams and run schools programmes. Contact your local authority for more information.



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These facilities provide the opportunity to show children the link between the 'rubbish' they put in their household waste and recycling containers and the local waste system, and so offer an excellent reinforcement activity to link to the Think Cans resources.

Many local authorities use Novelis' resources, including 'The Aluminium Can Recycling Loop' as part of these education programmes

Waste Management Companies

Many waste management companies run programmes for schools based around local landfill or energy from waste operations, sometimes in conjunction with local authorities.