

## Welcome to Mr. Pritt's Waste Warriors

Thank you for visiting Mr. Pritt's Waste Warriors. The aim of this site is to help provide fun crafting ideas to help children learn about recycling and upcycling.

We hope you enjoy these creative ideas and take the opportunity to share some important sustainability messages with your children along the way!



## Mr. Pritt's Waste Warriors Educational Toolkit

As part of this initiative, we have produced an educational toolkit for Key Stages 1 and 2 which you can find on the Teachers section of the Pritt World website. It is free to download and contains a range of fun lessons which deliver key environmental learning outcomes related to waste and recycling. If you think your child's school might be interested in these materials just direct them to the Pritt website.



## Further information

If you would like to expand your child's knowledge about recycling waste and the environment, there are plenty of child-friendly resources available. Here are a few of our favourites:

**David Attenborough, Blue Planet II** – A documentary series, presented by David Attenborough, exploring the planet's oceans

**Michael Recycle by Ellie Bethel** – Michael Recycle tells the adventures of a young superhero whose power allows him to teach people about recycling

**keepbritaintidy.org** – Keep Britain Tidy is an independent charity with three goals – to eliminate litter, end waste and improve places

**wwf.org.uk/get-involved/families** – WWF is the world's leading independent conservation organisation whose mission is to create a world where people and wildlife can thrive together. The site contains a range of activities designed for children of all ages, and developed to encourage wildlife into your local area and explore nature



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# Pritt

## Parent notes





### About Pritt Stick

**1969:**

The Pritt brand and the first ever glue stick in the world was born. Its inspiration was a lipstick and the way it allowed for quick, clean and precise application.

For over 50 years we have created magical moments of bonding between children and parents, teachers and pupils, classmates and friends!

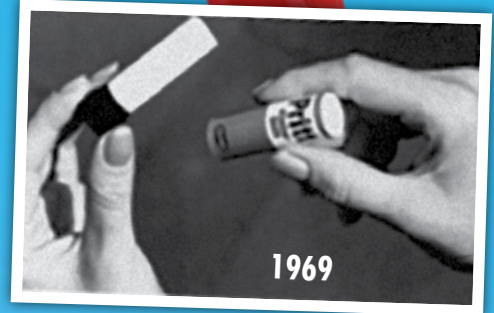
#### Our original Pritt Sticks are:

-  **Natural:** Made up of 90% natural ingredients including water
-  **Recyclable:** 100% recyclable with the cap on
-  **Reliable:** Glues double the amount of paper than the next best-selling branded glue stick\*
-  **Safe:** Washable at 20 degrees, solvent-free and non-toxic

Our passion for making crafting even more fun fuels our innovation!

To celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> birthday in 2019 we launched two limited edition Glow In The Dark Pritt Sticks. Bringing the magic of Pritt to life!

Pritt allows the magic of childhood to live on for everyone.



AFTER USE, PLEASE  
**Recycle Me!**

**HIGH QUALITY & SAFE**

**EFFICIENT**  
Glues 2x paper  
than the next best-  
selling brand\*



**SUSTAINABLE**



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\*GfK 2019. Tested by an independent laboratory in 2015 \*\*Including water

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## Make a microcomposter

### What is compost?

Compost is an organic material made from rotten kitchen and garden waste e.g. fruit and vegetable peelings, tea leaves, dry grass cuttings etc. It is rich in nutrients and is great for helping your plants grow.

Composting is nature's own recycling process - where tiny microorganisms and minibeasts (insects) feed off rotting kitchen and garden scraps. This helps to break down the larger chunks into a nutrient-rich, brown compost, ready for use on plants and soil.

### What can be composted?

You can compost almost anything that was once alive apart from cooked food, meat, fish and any waste that originates from an animal.

### Why should we compost?

Home composting reduces the organic waste that is sent to landfill sites. A landfill site is a place where rubbish is buried in a large, deep hole. At these sites, all the rubbish is dumped together in big heaps and left to rot. The rotting process that occurs under these conditions uses microorganisms that do not require oxygen to survive - this is known as anaerobic composting.

Anaerobic composting forms a gas called ammonia which is poisonous to fish and can pollute surrounding water.

Anaerobically rotting organic waste also produces methane - a greenhouse gas that is contributing to climate change.



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## You will need:

- 2 litre plastic bottle (empty and cleaned)
- Sharp scissors
- Newspaper (shredded into small pieces)
- Sellotape
- A packet of compost maker or accelerator
- A collection of different materials to make up the different layers; soil, leaves, dry grass, fresh fruit, vegetable peelings etc.

Children wanting to create their own microcomposter will need help with the first stage.



**1** To begin, use a pair of sharp scissors to cut round the bottle but leave a small section where the bottle remains joined together.



**2** The small section where the pieces are still joined will act as a hinge. This is so the microcomposter can be closed up later.



**3** This is where children can have fun and get involved as it's time to layer the composter! Start by placing 2-3cm of soil in the bottom of the bottle.



**4** Then add 2-3cm of vegetable peelings (ensuring these are cut into small pieces so they break down) and cover this with a thin layer of soil and compost.



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**5** Now add another layer of vegetable peelings and cover with soil before adding a layer of shredded newspaper. This should then also be covered with soil.



**6** Repeat the layering process until the bottle is almost full. Now add the 'compost maker' or 'compost accelerator' as your final layer and spray it with water.



**7** Finally, close the bottle and seal it with Sellotape.



**8** After 2-3 months it will have broken down into compost which can now be used on your plants!

## Did you know?

- It takes 50% less energy to recycle something than it does to make something new.
- Recycling cuts down on pollution to habitats and helps the environment.
- When we recycle, used materials are made into new products, reducing the need to use more of the planet's natural resources. If used materials are not recycled, new products are made by exploiting new resources from the Earth, through mining and forestry (cutting down trees).
- The average person throws away seven times their own body weight in waste every year. Only about 25% of the contents of your household bin is kitchen and garden waste!

