

We hope you have enjoyed this leaflet. We invite you to make any donations towards our water area as we are encouraging children to love the world around them. Many thanks.



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The happiest people don't have the best of everything, they make the best of everything they have!

Plastic bag recycling with children .



Plastic bags kill animals and plastic only starts to decompose after 700 years... use yours as much as you can!

As it is waterproof, cut up into strips and make fringe curtains for outside, hula skirts, a stage, a border to a table to hide under, bunting ...



Save the world for our children



Play in the air and water ...
a kite or a jelly fish.



Turn the bag inside-out, if it has printing on it—once the ink heats up, it comes off the bag and makes a huge mess. If the bag has an interesting design that you'd like to preserve, try using a clear plastic bag layered on top of the printed one—between 6-8 layers of plastic gives the best results. You can either fold your bag twice until it is 8 ply thick, or use three or more bags layered on top of one another. Trying to fuse less than 6 layers often results in little holes forming in the finished piece and a generally weaker material.

Put parchment over the plastic. Next, run a hot iron (set to "Rayon") but you will need to experiment a little to see what works for your iron) and keep the iron moving constantly. Make sure to get the edges, and after about 15 seconds, flip it over and iron the opposite side for a few seconds.

Peel a corner of the paper back to see if the plastic is fused together. It should be fairly smooth and "one sheet" to the touch (watch out, its a little hot). If the layers are not all melted together, iron it some more.

Peel the parchment paper away from the finished plastic sheet. Voila. Now, you can use this stuff to make a million things. You can make re-usable grocery bags, wallets and floor cushions; its an inexpensive way to make waterproof linings for beach bags, swimming and makeup bags.

Don't let children be involved in this part it is too dangerous!



This is how to join plastic together to make sheets of it for even more ways to use!

What you'll need

Plastic bags (thin, flimsy ones work best)—
parchment paper, freezer paper or plain old
copier paper

Iron (and your favourite ironing surface)



Flatten out the bag and trim the bottom seam and handles off.

This allows the bag to be opened up into a larger rectangle of plastic.



Parachutes, hula skirts, flowers, a lovely butterfly ...



Clippy rugs from plastic are great for Sensory Integration — they also wash well (great for accidents)



Use for children to squeeze paint or icing as easy to manipulate can also use with sand or water outside to drizzle and create patterns!



Fill with paint in an old ziplock bag and tape to table to use for mark making



Make characters, flowers, finger puppets, a costume. Just don't throw it away!



If you twist it, plait with it then plastic can be very strong to make a rope net for the garden.

