

WASTE MINIMISATION EDUCATION PROGRAMMES AND WASTE LEVY GRANTS

Climate and Environment Subcommittee
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Waste minimisation education programmes

- Cloth nappies trial
- Zero Waste Program
- Waste free period talks
- Paper4trees

Cloth Nappies Trial

- Available to all ECE's
- Pack of reusable nappies and training
- Three months Trial
- Report provided by waste minimisation team
- Apply for waste levy grants





Zero Waste Program

- Now delivered by Zero Waste Education educator
- From ECE's to year 8
- Delivered in 11 schools and 4 daycares so far

Years 1/2
Is That Really
Rubbish and
The Litterless
Lunchbox

Years 3/4
Reduce Unit
and Reuse
Unit

Years 5/6
Recycle Unit
and Compost
Unit

Years 7/8
Resource
Sustainability
Unit and Water
Unit

Waste Free Period Talks



- Impact of disposable period products on our environment and introducing reusable period products
- Students take home a reusable period product of their choice
- One college per year to allow delivery to all youth



Paper4trees

- Schools and preschools registered 29
- Tonnes of paper and cardboard recycled 96 tonnes
- Native plants planted 324



Waste Levy Grants

- Open 25 July - 8 September 2024
- Funded from waste levy
- Two categories:
 - community projects
 - business waste reduction projects

Community Waste Levy Grants

- Funding pool \$30,000 for Community Projects
- Waste minimisation projects that:
 - Encourage community participation and education
 - Benefit the Kāpiti Coast community
 - Lead to long-term waste minimisation action and behavior change

Previous winners



- KapiMana Multiples
- Quality reusable nappies to offer members to try out, with support from committee, to encourage reusing as much as possible
- Seven packs distributed so far

"This pack is a lifesaver. Because we needed so many nappies for twins, it was overwhelming to start the stash, so we were just using disposables. We were going through so many! Even if we are just using these reusable nappies sometimes, it will save us a huge amount of money and reduce so much waste"

Business Waste Levy Grants

- Funding pool \$20,000 to fund up to 50% of business waste reduction projects
- Waste Minimisation projects to businesses to implement measures that will lead to long-term and measurable minimisation of waste from the business' operations
- Priority funding areas:
 - Organic Waste
 - Construction and Demolition Waste
 - Projects that fill a gap within current waste services in Kāpiti

Previous winners



- The Roastery
- Expansion of Swap-A-Jar reusables system to include more products, sanitise hardware necessary to scaling a circular reusables system

