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#### PARENTING HELPLINES & WEBSITES

# Manchester Children's Information Service

- 0800 083 7921
- www.manchester.gov.uk
- Parentlineplus
- 0808 800 2222
- www.parentlineplus.org.uk
- www.bbc.co.uk/parenting

# ENVIRONMENT INFORMAT

- www.energysavingtrust.org.uk
- www.challengemanchester.co.uk
- www.manchester.gov.uk
- (look under Environment or Leisure)
- for more info on Manchester City Council's work email: campaigns.team@ manchester.gov.uk



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Visit your local

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information and support, you could try

talking to your: • CHILD'S TEACHER

SCHOOL NURSE

• GP

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## TIP SHEET FOR PARENTS OF 0-16 YEAR OLDS

# Helping your child to care for the environment



You are their most important role model.

If you look after the place where you live, so will you children.

When you teach them to eat fresh food and take exercise outside, you are helping them to be healthy and happy.

You don't have to do everything at once.

Make one or two changes that work for you and your family. Enjoy doing something different together.

It's your world – taking care of it is taking care of yourself and your children too.

## What you can do - Out & About

#### **BIN IT!**

If you drop litter and leave mess behind you, so will your children. Show them what to do with rubbish – put it in the nearest bin or take it home.



Children love trips out with parents - and fresh air is good for all of you.



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Go out as often as you can. Use your local park, nature area or playground. Take a picnic if the sun's shining – or waterproofs and wellies if it's



Make time to walk to school if you can. You and your child get exercise – and time to talk.

The more they walk and learn about traffic, the safer they'll be on the road as they get older.

#### **LOVE YOUR OLD BAGS!**

Always take bags with you to the shops. You can re-use old plastic bags or carry a sports bag, rucksack or cloth bag.

Give your child a special bag of their own - so they can help carry the shopping!

#### GET INVOLVED

Find out what your child is learning about the environment in school. Join in with 'green' events at school or outdoor activities for families in your

### What you can do - At Home

#### **GROW YOUR OWN**

Try growing something to eat. It could be herbs on a windowsill, tomatoes in a grow-bag or strawberries in hanging baskets. Your children will learn from watching things grow – and you'll be giving them a really fresh treat to eat.

#### **COOK AND EAT** TOGETHER

Cook a meal from fresh ingredients at least once a week - and eat together as a family.

Get your child to help – even when they're young. Cooking with you boosts their confidence and helps them learn.

#### **SAVE WATER**

When your child cleans their teeth. show them how to turn the tap off in between rinsing their mouths and brushing.

#### RECYCLE **MORE - THROW AWAY LESS**

Get your child to help sort rubbish for recycling. Use the bins provided by the Council and take things to recycling centres. **Re-use bags and** containers if you can.

#### IF YOU SMOKE...

Don't do it in front of your children – you could try going outside to smoke. Put cigarettes out properly and don't drop the butts in the street.

Fit a smoke alarm if you don't have one already.

#### SAVE ELECTRICITY - AND MONEY!

Replace light bulbs with energy saving ones when you can. They cost more to buy, but they last for



years and use less electricity. Turn off appliances (TV, phone chargers, hi-fi) at the wall. They still use electricity when they're on standby.