

Dear Parent/Career and Student

We are inviting you to take part and get involved in Outwood Academy Portland's '**Waste Week and Science and Engineering Week**'.

We are very excited to have joined the Science and Engineering into Schools initiative which will enable us to collect and swap unwanted textiles for fantastic new science and engineering equipment.

The programme is delivered by: EDF Energy's education programme the Pod, Wastebuster and the British Science Association.

By joining the scheme we not only have the opportunity to teach our students about the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling but also to inspire them to get interested in science and engineering with some fascinating new equipment and resources.

We will be holding a collection day and inviting everybody, including neighbours and relatives to look deep into their wardrobes for unwanted items they can donate to our project. The more we collect the more new science and engineering equipment we can get.

Please fill and bring your bags to school on the morning of: 27 March 2014.

Each student will be provided with a bag, but you can fill more. Just remember to tie the top.

We are able to recycle all clean, dry clothes including bed linen, towels, and curtains. We can also collect trainers, boots, sandals and shoes if they are in pairs. Unfortunately, we cannot collect pillows, duvets, sleeping bags, slippers or single shoes.

You can find out more about the Science into Schools project at www.scienceintoschools.org

Your support and donations will be greatly appreciated and will help your child to achieve **Pledge 10 – Sustainability**. Together we believe we can make a lasting difference to the environment.

Thank you very much.