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Dear Parents/Carers

RE: Phasing Out Single-Use Plastic Cups

As part of our ongoing commitment to fostering a more sustainable future and reducing waste, we are writing to inform you about an important change we are implementing at The Link Academy.

Starting from Monday 3 March 2025 we will be phasing out the use of plastic cups across the school. This decision has been made since considering growing concerns about the environmental impact of plastic waste. Since their introduction of the reusable cups we currently provide, they are frequently disposed of after a single use, contributing significantly to landfill accumulation and, in many cases, ending up in our oceans.

To support this initiative, we will provide each learner with their own water bottle and we are asking all learners to bring them to school each day. This simple step will help us collectively reduce our waste footprint and instil habits of environmental responsibility in our learners. Reusable water bottles are not only environmentally friendly but also a practical and hygienic way for learners to stay hydrated throughout the day.

Why This Matters:

- **Reducing Waste:** Each year, millions of plastic cups are discarded globally, contributing to an escalating waste crisis. As a school, we want to lead by example and show our commitment to reducing unnecessary waste.
- **Environmental Impact:** Plastic pollution poses a significant threat to wildlife and natural habitats. By reducing our use of disposable plastics, we can help protect these precious resources.
- **Education and Responsibility:** Encouraging learners to bring reusable bottles helps to reinforce the importance of sustainable choices and equip learners with the tools to make a positive impact on the environment.

We understand this change may require some adjustment, but we are confident it will benefit our school community and the environment in the long term

Thank you for your support in this initiative. Together, we can make a meaningful difference and teach our children the importance of caring for our planet. Should you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mr C White.

The Link Academy
Student Leaders

