

What will EERST do to reward your school?

- At the end of each school year, EERST Trust will contact your school to find out how much paper and cardboard you recycled and how many trees your school earned. Choose your rewards from a list of native New Zealand plants, which may go into your school grounds or become part of a community planting project. **Plants do not have to be planted on the school grounds.** If you prefer, EERST can arrange for your local council or community group to plant the trees for you.
- EERST will email newsletters to keep you updated. Please ensure staff and pupils see the newsletter. If you are not receiving email updates, please contact us. See below.
- EERST will deliver the trees in May or June the following year, during the planting season.

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Earn native trees by recycling paper and cardboard at your school...

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For further information contact...

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CARBON ZERO PROGRAMME

Ten steps to success with



What EERST does...

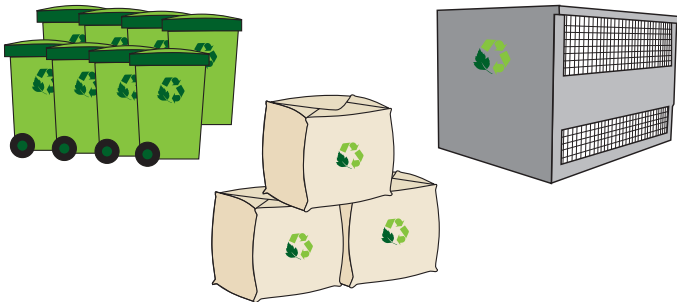
- 1** EERST will visit your school and meet with a representative to explain the programme.
- 2** EERST will supply your school with a 30 litre plastic recycling bin - if needed - for every room in your school including classrooms, library, staff room, and office.
- 3** EERST will supply posters for the bins, a laminated recording sheet, an information sheet, a certificate and wool sacks if needed.
- 4** EERST will reward your school with a native tree, grass or flax for every two cubic metres of paper and cardboard that you recycle.

2 cubic metres is about the same amount as:

Three wool sacks – 3/4 full = 1 tree, flax or grass

Eight large (240l) wheelie bins = 1 tree, flax or grass

One 2 cubic metre cage or skip bin = 1 tree, flax or grass



What does your school do?

- 5** Make a plan for collecting and emptying recycling bins. Ensure that all pupils, teachers and other staff, including the caretaker, clearly understand how the paper4trees programme works. It's working well in hundreds of schools and it will work in yours. If you need help setting up the new system, contact EERST.
- 6** Allocate bins to every room in your school. Have the children colour the supplied posters.
- 7** Your school may already have a recycling collection system in place. If it works, don't change it. Just keep track of the amount you're recycling – use the laminated sheet we provide - so you can earn rewards. It is important that your school makes its **own arrangements** for dealing with the paper and cardboard – either contact your local recycling operator or arrange drop-off to your nearest recycling centre.

Remember paper and cardboard make up about 75% of school waste. It's not hard to recycle, it's better for the environment and it's generally cheaper than **landfill or rubbish fees**.

