Coastal Debris (English – Persuasive Writing) KS2



Sometimes on our beach cleans, we find litter has been left there by people visiting the beach. We come across many things such as disposable barbeques, drinks bottles, bottle tops, flip flops, food packaging from lunches, fishing lines and hooks, cigarettes and more.



Once on the beach, these items are at risk of becoming washed into the sea. When they are in the ocean, this marine debris often gets mistaken for food by curious marine creatures, causing harm to the marine life that eats it. To help stop this from happening, we need your support!

Write a persuasive text to beachgoers urging them to take their litter home with them, rather than leaving it on our beautiful beaches. Persuade them to help save the seas along with the marine life that lives there.

- Think about the way litter left on beaches affects marine animals, both on the shore and in the sea.
- Provide them with alternatives to leaving their litter on the beach or to the single-use plastic items they bring with them.
- Research and find out some facts and evidence to support your points.
- Use persuasive techniques in your writing such as, using connectives to link ideas (however, therefore), rhetorical questions and emotive language (powerful verbs and adjectives).

After writing your text, why not create a poster or even film an advert to encourage people further!