

Plastic Bag Grab Challenge Announcement:  
April 17th, 2019

This is your Eco Club with some exciting news. Our school will participate for the fourth year in the **The Plastic Bag Grab Challenge!** This challenge is a waste reduction program for schools across Canada that reminds us of the 3R's: reduce, reuse, and recycle. Since 2016, more than 502,000 students across Canada have taken action to reduce plastic waste in their school communities while collecting more than 52 metric tonnes of single use plastic bags for recycling.

The program will continue to focus on *reduce* and *reuse* - the most important step in the 3Rs hierarchy. As such, the challenge will reward schools that encourage and promote ideas and solutions that result in reducing how many bags are used and wasted in their communities.

From Thursday, April 18 to Thursday, April 25, the Eco Club is challenging you to learn and take action on plastic waste by reducing your use. We will give you tips on how to minimize your plastic waste. Each class is encouraged to collect plastic bags for recycling. We will tally the bag count each day and the class that collects the most bags will win a movie and popcorn afternoon.

Start collecting those plastic grocery bags, Saints, and we will begin the challenge tomorrow! Good luck!