

Pupils focus on recycle, reuse and reduce

THE AUTUMN term got off to a green start at Conifers School in Easebourne with pupils focusing on the three Rs – Recycle, Reuse and Reduce.

The first of a number of activities planned for the topic was the visit of the recycling bus.

On board children were taken through a tour and shown what can be reused and recycled to make everyday useful and usable items. There were a number of games and activities on board the bus tailored to each age group.

This week, the Midhurst business Green and Pleasant Recycling visited the school and demonstrated its anaerobic digester which breaks down organic material (vegetation plus raw and cooked food matter) into two – bio



fertiliser and methane gas, a totally-renewable energy.

Jennie Peel, headmistress of Conifers, said: "We are always looking for ways to enrich our topic work and we are very

privileged to have the digester here at Conifers for the term because it certainly helps to bring the subject to life in a very visual way.

"The children are so excited about seeing the end results of fertiliser for our beds and vegetable patch and gas to light a stove and make tea."

Julian Maiklem, managing director of Green and Pleasant Recycling, said: "It is great to see the enthusiasm of the children as they get involved with this project.

"It is essential that the next generation take on board the three Rs and learn ways in which to reduce their carbon footprint to help slow down the degenerative process of the greenhouse effect."