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LOCAL STUDENTS REVAMP RECYCLING CENTRE

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A group of students from Cambridge Regional College (CRC) have completed an ambitious challenge to revamp the interior of Buckden Recycling Education Centre, in association with the Wildlife Trust.



The Recycled Chair by Lilian Page

The Education Centre in Buckden, Cambridgeshire, is housed in an old shipping container that has travelled the world. It has now been revitalised by the students with objects of art, furniture and educational materials that convey the message of the 5 R's: Recycle, Reduce, Reuse, Repair and Refuse. The focus was to produce finished pieces that concentrated on re-using and repairing – a government focus aimed at closing the recycling loop.

Christina Biggs, Wildlife Trust Education Officer said “The Wildlife Trust appreciates the hard work that the students have put into making these impressive recycled products for the Waste and Recycling Education Centre at Buckden Landfill. This project has inspired the students about sustainability and environmental issues associated with waste. The contribution made by the CRC students will be of great benefit to the children who will visit the education centre in the future”.

The Wildlife Trust is a conservation charity and has delivered waste and recycling education to more than 13,700 students since they first developed the waste and recycling programme at Buckden Landfill. Their work is totally dependent on funds provided by members and sponsors.

Norma Hanson, Programme Area Manager for Art & Design said, “This has been a great adventure for our students. The whole process has been truly valuable in helping them to become more aware of their responsibility as Artists and Designers of the future”.

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