Subject: Zero Waste Charter and EWWR

Hello everyone,

For this academic year 2023-2024, our school, in partnership with the Student Council, has signed a **Zero Waste Charter** (which you will find attached and which you are invited to read). Drawn up by the City of Mons for higher education establishments, its aim is to encourage us to reduce our waste production and thus reduce our environmental impact. Note that our school is already pursuing an eco-responsible approach, thanks to a project started last year to make our canteen more sustainable.

As a signatory of the « Zero Waste Charter », our school will be taking part in the **EWWR** (European Week for Waste Reduction), which will be held **from Monday 20 to Friday 24 November 2023**. To mark the occasion, we have been asked to organise one action per day in our school, linked to the theme of « Zero Waste ». For more information, please visit the official website: https://ewwr.eu/

Here is the detailed programme of the activities we are proposing. ! The two workshops on offer are for students only and require registration.

Monday 20/11: Sale of homemade biscuits to finance the purchase of reusable cups for our school

-> From 7.30am to 11.30am and from 2pm to 4.30pm (Carré's canteen) / from 4.30pm to 7pm (Conservatoire reception).

From 11.30am to 2pm (in front of Carré's canteen), biscuits will be sold by members of the Students Council.

Tuesday 21/11: « I drink from my own container and win a free fruit juice on Thursday »

-> From 7.30am to 4.30pm (Carré's canteen).

If you ask for your coffee/tea to be served in your own cup, you win a ticket for a free fruit juice, to be collected on Thursday (see below).

Wednesday 22/11: « Introduction to Zero Waste » workshop, organised by the City of Mons

-> From 12.45pm to 2pm (Carré, local 80). Limited to 15 people. By reservation via the following link:

Thursday 23/11: Sale of freshly squeezed fruit juice to finance the purchase of reusable cups for our school

-> From 11.30am to 2pm (in front of Carré's canteen), juice will be sold by members of the Students Council. Anyone who wins a ticket on Tuesday will be entitled to a free juice.

<u>Friday 24/11</u>: « I make my own washing-up liquid, liquid soap and toothpaste powder » workshop, organised by members of the Students Council.

-> From 12.45pm to 2pm (Carré, local 35). By reservation via the following link :

Apart from the fun aspect of the EWWR, it is thanks to everyone's efforts that we will succeed, over time, in implementing each point of the charter. Our school hopes to be able to count on everyone's responsibility.

Finally, we would like to remind you of these simple gestures which, applied on a daily basis, can have a real positive impact on the environment:

- Turning off lights when leaving an area (especially toilets) / turning off corridor lights when it is light enough during the day
- Close office/classroom doors
- Keep windows closed, except for occasional ventilation lasting no more than 5 minutes
- Use your own water bottle or cup for the water fountain
- Prefer printing on both sides of the page and in black and white
- Switch off electrical appliances on standby
- Dispose of cigarette butts in the ashtrays provided
- ... Let's be creative!:)

Thank you in advance for your commitment!