

SUSTAINABILITY@ISB

Sustainability: “meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.”



Sustainable environmental behaviour is at the heart of our school. Our Sustainability@ISB programme recognises our environmental responsibility to our students and the planet they are inheriting.

We warmly welcome new members to our student groups, and parent volunteers!



GREEN FLAG AWARD

ISB is a proud recipient of the Eco-Schools Green Flag Award, granted to schools achieving the highest standards of commitment and measurable progress in becoming more sustainable. This is a testament to the unwavering efforts of our whole community. The Eco-Schools sustainable schools programme is endorsed by UNESCO and UNEP and includes 56,000 schools worldwide.



IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO LIVE MORE SUSTAINABLY!

Here are 10 SIMPLE WAYS your family can join this journey.

- 1 Reduce and re-use resources! But where you have to dispose of them, recycle PET bottles, paper, card, aluminium and glass. Visit your local recycling centre to see what they take. You'll be surprised!*
- 2 Avoid single-use plastic (ISB does!) - go for reusable water bottles, containers, beeswax wrap and cutlery.
- 3 Recycle your plastic packaging in a Sammelsack*
- 4 Compost your green waste if you can. Your Gemeinde will often take it*
- 5 Save paper (and trees!) by printing double-sided and keeping scrap paper for notes or art.
- 6 Before buying brand new, consider Basel's incredible selection of high quality 2nd hand fashion, furniture, electronics, DIY, appliance and craft stores (Brocki & Borse), or repair centres*
- 7 Tram, cycle, walk, carpool. Fly less - explore stunning Switzerland by train or rent an e-bike*
- 8 Learn about your own environmental impact e.g. the effects of meat, dairy and fast fashion consumption, so you can make conscious buying choices.
- 9 Work out your carbon footprint at www.footprintcalculator.org
- 10 Buy local, and organic when possible and explore Basel's great zero-packaging stores*

**Find out how in the "Waste Disposal" and 'Living Sustainably in Basel' section of our Sustainability@ISB webpage (via the QR code below), complete with maps and business directories.*