

# Recycling is bearing fruit!

"WASTE" paper is no longer a load of rubbish. ecologically-minded people in Stratford district are claiming in the light of the increasing number of recycling schemes in the area.

The Chin family, of Stratford, recycle waste paper into tea! Printed paper, envelopes, or cardboard are mixed with vegetable waste, and this decomposes to produce a tea which feeds their organically grown plants.

Choy Chin, of Albany Road, told *Midweek*: "This is a down to earth practical idea. One small step to take care of nature can make a lot of difference.

"The kids are going to benefit from a clean world, but they are not taught at school to be responsible for their rubbish. They should be told what is going to happen to it."

There has been a local increase in shoppers helping the green movement

are buying recycled writing paper and recycled toilet paper.

Tescos press officer Allan Tringham said the sales of recycled goods have increased and Tesco's are introducing more recycled products and packaging.

"It is environmentally sound, and the cost benefits will be passed onto the customer in the long run," he said.

**By Jacqui Perry**

The Fosse Group Ltd, Stratford, runs the paper bank at Burton Farm Land-fill Site, Stratford.

Fosse Group manager Peter Browne said, "It is company policy to be environmentally sound. The company operates the paper bank facility for Stratford district council as well as the glass bottle banks.



**Recycling bears fruits for our children . . . Choy Chin, of Albany Road, Stratford, displays two Potimarrons grown with the help of his paper "tea." The drawings of the sun were made by his children when the fruit was young and have grown with fruit. They help the Choy family feel a contact with the earth and appreciate fully the wonders of nature.**

"We are looking to use environmentally responsible products throughout the company and are promoting recycling in our own offices."

Friends of the Earth members run a waste paper collection point on the last Saturday of each month, all day, outside the National Westminster Bank, Rother

Street, Stratford.

A spokesman for the group has calculated that the scheme has saved over 5,000 trees up to date.

*Midweek* reporter Jeremy Herbert has initiated a recycling scheme

in his home village of Ettington.

He said, "Recycling is essential. Unless we stop rubbishing the environment now, we will end up throwing away our children's future."

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