



Energy Actions

Here are some simple actions you can take to improve energy use at your school.

- Set up procedures for turning off lights e.g. appoint students as light monitors, create signs to remind people to turn off lights when they leave a room
- Set heaters and air-conditioners at an appropriate temperature
- Investigate getting solar panels
- Investigate getting timers on lights
- Investigate types of lights used and upgrade to more energy-efficient types
- Turn fridges off on weekends and holidays
- Turn items off at power point rather than leaving them on standby
- Make sure natural light can enter the classroom - remove posters that cover windows and open curtains or blinds
- Ensure all equipment is turned off before school holidays
- Use ceiling fans in winter to redistribute heat build up from ceiling level back down to useful height
- A standard monitor uses approximately 70% of all the energy consumed by a computer! Turn the screen off at the switch whenever you are not accessing information
- Always purchase fridges and freezers with the highest star ratings available

