Saving Water Advice

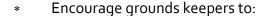
In the School.....



Inside

- * Install leak detectors and fix all leaks promptly.
- * Establish a 'Water Savers' monitoring team, involving students reporting on leaks, running and dripping taps, and faulty toilets.
- * Ask pupils to design and create signs giving hints and tips on how to save water both in school and at home. Place them near taps/ toilets/showers, reminding users to turn water off when it is not being used.
 - Install water-efficient aerated showerheads/flow restrictors and slow-release push buttons on all showers or mixer taps.
 - Wipe paint brushes with a rag, then wash them in a bucket rather than under the tap
- * Fit solenoid (motion) sensors/infra-red controls on taps to ensure they stop running when not in use.
- Install water efficient dishwashers in kitchens. Encourage kitchen staff to always fully load the dishwasher.

Outside



- Use plants that are suited to the local climate and soil conditions.
- Avoid over-watering school gardens.
- -Remove weeds as soon as they appear.
- Water the base of plants, not the leaves.
- -Use a brush to clean paths (not a hose).
- -Apply a layer of mulch at a depth of 7-10cm around plants, this reduces the amount of evaporation.
- Install water butts where possible to collect rain water from school roofs. This rainwater can then be used to water school grounds.
- * When cleaning outside play equipment, always use warm water in a bucket, with a sponge rather than a hose –this will be more effective as well as saving water and money.



