

10 Easy ways to save water at school

By taking some simple steps schools can save water and money. It's the little things you can do that make a big difference.

1. Use water carefully

Turn the tap off promptly when washing your hands. Use the half flush on the toilet when you can. Use a bucket when washing paint brushes, art supplies or dishes. Turn off all taps after using them.

2. Reuse water

Place a bucket under taps or bubblers to catch excess water. Use the water to water the garden.

3. Report leaks

Report all leaking taps, bubblers, toilets or other water devices immediately. Set up a roster for a water monitoring team.

4. Do a school water audit

Run a water audit and learn where and how much water your school is using and wasting.

5. Develop a water savings action plan

Help your school become water efficiency by developing and following a water savings action plan.

6. Track and measure water use

Chart progress and advertise results to make everyone aware of water use and improvements.

7. Get everyone involved

Develop a media campaign and advertise water saving behaviours at school and in the home.

8. Collect rainwater

Ask your school to install and use rainwater tanks to water gardens and sporting ovals.

9. Create drought resistant gardens

Ask your school to plant drought resistant plants and mulch gardens.

10. Install water saving devices

Ask your school to replace old and leaking taps, toilets and bubblers with water efficient devices.

Did you know?

- Up to 70% of water used in schools is lost through leaks.
- One drop a second from a leaking bubbler wastes 7,000 litres of water every year.