Energy Week

Get your whole school involved with a whole week of activities devoted to reducing energy use at your school!

Day 1
Discover

Run an assembly about saving energy

Run a longer term switch-off campaign at school (eg Switch Off Fortnight)

Run a themed event focused on energy use

Learn about where energy comes from and its impact on the environment

Learn about appliances that use energy at home and school

Understand how our carbon emissions and the Greenhouse Effect cause global warming

Day 2
Investigate

Review the Energy Sparks energy usage charts for your school

Carry out a spot check to see if lights or electrical items are left on at lunch time

Carry out a spot check to see if lights or electrical items are left on after school

Review school heating timings

Use appliance monitors to understand the energy use of individual appliances

Investigate the school's thermostats

Measure classroom temperatures

Day 3
Act

Monitor whether outside doors and windows are closed during cold weather

Monitor whether adults and pupils are wearing warmer clothes inside the school building during winter

Pupils meet with the office staff /kitchen staff / caretaker or site manager/ Business Manager to discuss their role in saving energy

Run a campaign to close doors and windows when the heating is on

Run a campaign to switch off electrical equipment overnight

Plan and run a campaign to switch off lights and use natural light on sunny days

Label lights and appliances to show which should be left on or turned off

Day 4
Share

Create a promotional video to get pupils and staff to save energy

Create an energy saving display

Do a creative activity themed around energy saving

Investigate how much energy families use at home

Share the energy saving message with parents and the local community

Day 5
Celebrate

Pupils share their energy saving work with a wider audience

Introduce an energy efficiency reward system

Set up an Energy or Eco team to lead on energy efficiency at your school

Appoint pupil energy monitors in all classes

Energy Sparks

Don't forget to record your activities!