

Bensham Manor Sustainability Plan

Areas to explore:

- **Waste and recycling**
- **Energy**
- **Water**
- **Cleaning supplies**

What's going well	Further actions	People	Timescale
New eco-committee has had its first meeting	To grow the numbers of the committee Can we get a unit/mini unit in our Lifeskills Curriculum next year? Does Leah do a sustainability unit in Outdoor Learning?	LC	By Dec 26
Sustainability audit booked for January	Nikita to lead audit with external team	NR	By April 27
Recycle boxes in every room	Check what type of paper the school uses - if not recycled, can we switch? Check what happens to our recycling - can we get a visit booked to the recycling plant in Croydon?	SW LC	By Dec 26 By Dec 26
Food waste recycling	Eco committee to organise food waste bins for pupils' fruit leftovers so they can be composted.	Eco committee	By Feb 27
Computers automatically switched off at 6pm	Check what savings this makes? Could they be switched off at 5.15? What difference would that make?	SW	By Dec 26
Staff encouraged to switch off interactive boards when they leave their room/when not in use	How frequently is this happening? Who can check?	Eco Committee	By Dec 26
New radiators use less energy	Mick to ensure that radiators are set to the required	MR	Ongoing

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and heating temperature can be controlled	temperature and not more and to adjust where and when appropriate. Can we estimate what this would save us?		
Staff encouraged to switch off the lights when not in uses	Check the frequency of this - could this be a job for the eco committee?	Eco Committee	Ongoing
We no longer routinely buy plastic water bottles instead there are cups in classrooms	Ensure pupils do not waste water when they use the taps?	Teachers	Ongoing
Rainwater to water plants	Do we have the facility to do this?	Eco Committee	Ongoing
School does not use bleach to clean	What products does the school use? Can we switch solely to eco products? What would the cost impact be?	TB	By Easter 2027
The school is already doing a lot to be sustainable	Apply for the Jack Petchey Environmental Award Rain water is collected in outdoor learning (water butts attached to guttering) Compost bins in outdoor learning	Eco Committee	By July 2027