

Galbally National School – Green Schools Action Plan 2016-2018

<i>Action</i>	<i>Timeframe</i>	<i>Responsibility</i>
Inform entire school community that we are beginning work on our second green schools theme: Water.	September 2016	Mr Kearney (Assembly & newsletter)
Carry out environmental review for water (tap, toilet audit etc.)	Sept/Oct 2016	Green Schools Committee
Investigate water system and display costs	Nov/Dec 2016	Green Schools Committee
Keep classrooms clean and tidy – 3 bins in every classroom (compost, recycling & waste)	Monitored Daily	All staff and children
Update and circulate ‘Green Code’ (to include emphasis on water as well as litter and waste management and energy saving)	October/November 2016	Whole School
Present and Display findings of Environmental Review	Throughout Term 1 2016	Green Schools Committee
Make and Display “Turn it Off” signs at sinks throughout school	January 2017	Green Schools Committee
Carry out audit of school building (re: possible water leaks)	February 2017	Senior Green School Committee members
Compost bins	Checked Daily (emptied and washed on Fridays)	Senior Green School Committee members
Implement “Turn it Off” water saving campaign	December 2016/January 2017	Whole school
Monitor I-Pad energy usage-eliminate unnecessary charging	February 2018	6 th Class Rota
Circulate Boxes for Collection of Used Batteries throughout School. Model monitoring and recording of quantities of batteries to Green Schools committee	February/March 2017	Green Schools Committee and Tidy Towns Committee
Emptying and Leaving out bins (Recycling and Waste)	Monday mornings	Faustina and 6 th class boys

Collect and display data on water usage (repeat Yr 2 if necessary)	From Jan/Feb 2017 to Jan/Feb 2018	Anne and Mrs Cunningham
Register for Team Limerick Clean Up	March 2017	Mrs.Cunningham and Tidy Towns Committee
Investigate and present alternative methods of water use (e.g. collecting rainwater and using to clean compost buckets)	March 2017	Green schools Committee
Continue to ensure litter is eliminated-particular attention to litter blackspots	Daily	Class teachers and teacher/staff on yard duty
Participate in Team Limerick Clean Up	April 2017	Whole School Community and Tidy Towns Committee
Collect and display data from whole school community re: water use (water questionnaire)	April/May 2017	Green Schools Committee, participating families, Tidy Towns Committee
Monitor "turn it off" strategy especially at breaktimes	Daily	Green school
Promote healthy eating in school and limit amount of wrappers brought to school	Daily	Teachers, staff, pupils and parents
Promote re-usable drinks containers both inschool and in wider community (e.g. reusable hot drinks container initiative in local retail outlet-combatting disposal of polythene cups)	April 2017 onwards	Tidy Towns Committee, Green Schools Committee, Cummins' Shop
Facilitate Environmental Guest Speaker in all classes	May/June 2017	School & Tidy Towns
Evaluate water use and costs at seasonal times of year [e.g. 1 week in lead	May/June 2017	Green Schools committee
Continue work on planting and maintenance of flower beds, trees etc.	May 2017 onwards	Green Schools Committee, Tidy Tows Committee
Present outline of this year's work to all classes	June 2017	Green Schools Committee
Create and present "Life Cycle of Water in Galbally", showing water source, water treatment, wastewater treatment etc.	June 2017	Green schools committee and Tidy Towns Committee