



HOW
WATER
WORKS



WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

- If your school has 9 litre toilet cisterns, insert hippo bags.
- If the cisterns are less than 8 litres you can displace water by placing plastic bottles filled with water or sand into the cistern so that less water is used with each flush.
- If your school has urinals, consider changing the timing of the flush if this is possible, so that they are not on a constant flush on evenings, weekends, midterms, school holidays etc. Think about getting a sensor controlled device fitted, so the urinal flushes only after use.
- Carry out a leak check and get dripping taps and leaks fixed. It may not look like much water is being lost, but a dripping tap could waste as much as 90 litres of water a week!
- Invest in a water butt to harvest rainwater which can be used for watering plants, cleaning windows, cleaning painting equipment, rinsing out recyclables etc.
- Use stoppers or basins when cleaning painting equipment.
- Some schools change taps from pillar taps to push taps and some install a spray device which aerates the water.
- Put up signs and posters over taps asking people to turn them off after use.
- Make a school policy on cleaning products/chemicals.