

GREEN NEWSLETTER T2

This term we'll be looking at energy conservation and, as always, how to reduce your carbon footprint and get carbon neutral! All of our sites are working towards energy conservation in many ways; from solar panels on buildings to replacing light fittings with LED bulbs, we're always on the hunt to save energy in ways that don't compromise our students way of life. Speak to your site to find out what energy conservation is happening.

Carbon footprint

Last term we got started by finding out what our carbon footprints were. This term we're going to ramp it up and start looking at how we can get closer to being carbon neutral! There are so many ways you can reduce your footprint, one of our favourite ways is checking out **Zero Giki** – your one stop shop for all the tips and tricks needed to shrink your footprint. Get cosied up and fill out the required info, once you've done this you can set tasks and goals to help reach that reduction. As always, we've included a few tips below to help you get started with energy conservation.

Energy conservation tips

- Time your showers – try reducing your showers to 4 minutes or less and feel great knowing you're still smelling great whilst saving energy
- Embrace the stereotype – using a microwave more often saves more energy (and time!)
- Turn it off – turning off your plugs at the wall when not in use can save up to £30 per year, this is enough to power a TV for over 2000 hours!
- Only boil enough water for what you need – when making a hot drink try to just boil enough water for yourself (or your flatmates if you're on brew duty)

For more tips on how to save energy head to: **100 ways to save energy**

Did you know?



We've switched our electricity to a green tariff for all our offices and buildings. The switch will help us save around 15,000 tonnes of CO2 emissions per year and reduce our carbon footprint by around 30%.



Lightning bolts are, quite literally, hotter than the sun. When bolts are released, they superheat the air to almost 30,000°C, which is five times hotter than the sun.



A microwave uses about 50% less energy as compared to an oven. That sounds like permission to have instant noodles more often to us!



We want to hear from you, drop us an email (details below) to find out how you can get involved.

Next term we'll be focusing on the environment and how we can look after it, got any ideas or tips to share? Drop an email to our dedicated green inbox (gogreen@sanctuary-students.com) and if we use your tip you'll win a £10 e-voucher. We're also looking for people interested in joining a focus group to help us with our journey to sustainability – ask on site for more information!