

SUSTAINABILITY AT ST BERNARDINE'S

VISION STATEMENT

AT ST BERNARDINE'S, WE BELIEVE THAT EVERYBODY HAS A ROLE TO PLAY IN CREATING A SUSTAINABLE WORLD. OUR INDIVIDUAL ACTIONS, WHETHER LARGE OR SMALL, HAVE A COLLECTIVE IMPACT THAT WILL ULTIMATELY DETERMINE OUR FUTURE.

BY COMBINING OUR EFFORTS, WE CAN HELP REDUCE HUMANKIND'S IMPACT ON THE PLANET AND BE PART OF THE SOLUTION FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE. WITH THIS IN MIND, WE HAVE BEGUN TO MAKE A SUSTAINABLE EFFORT TO REDUCE OUR IMPACT ON THE WORLD.

AS A STAFF, WE ARE COMMITTED TO THIS IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

- EDUCATING ALL STUDENTS ABOUT SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES
- USING THE PAPER BINS IN ALL AREAS RESPONSIBLY
- REPORTING ANY TAP LEAKAGES ETC. BY USE OF MAINTENANCE LINK IN STAFF PORTAL
- RECYCLING CARDBOARD
- RECYCLING CANS
- RECYCLING BATTERIES
- RECYCLING PRINTER CARTRIDGES AND TONERS
- APPROPRIATE USE OF AIR CONDITIONERS (COOLING AND HEATING TO 24 DEGREES)
- RUNNING AIR CONDITIONERS ONLY WHEN NEEDED
- RECYCLING FOOD SCRAPS
- NURTURING AND PROTECTING A NATIVE BEE HIVE
- ENCOURAGING THE RECYCLING OF FOOD SCRAPS USING COMPOST BINS
- REDUCING USE OF PAPER AROUND THE SCHOOL BY USING VARIOUS TECHNOLOGIES
- REDUCING PAPER USAGE WITH AN E-NEWSLETTER
- REDUCING PAPER USAGE WITH CLASSROOM BLOGS TO COMMUNICATE WITH PARENTS AND FRIENDS
- CARPOOLING WHERE APPROPRIATE
- WHERE APPROPRIATE, REUSING BOTH SIDES OF PAPER
- TURNING OFF LIGHTS IN ROOMS THAT ARE NOT BEING USED
- OPENING WINDOWS AND DOORS IN CLASSROOMS AS A FIRST OPTION RATHER THAN IMMEDIATELY TURNING ON CLASSROOM FANS
- TURNING OFF FANS WHEN CLASSROOM IS NOT BEING USED
- ENSURING TAP FITTINGS ARE NOT LEAKING
- ENSURING THAT WE USE OUR PHOTOCOPY BUDGET EFFECTIVELY
- ENSURING THAT WE USE PRINTERS PROVIDED IN VARIOUS BLOCKS RESPONSIBLY
- DEVELOPING RELATIONSHIPS WITH ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS THAT ASSIST IN OUR COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

WITH ALL OF THESE INITIATIVES, WE ALSO EDUCATE THE CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY ABOUT THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE WORLD. THEREFORE, THROUGH OUR MODELLING, WE WILL BE ASSISTING OUR WIDER COMMUNITY IN THEIR EFFORTS TO BE A MORE SUSTAINABLE SOCIETY.