

Allendale Primary School

Green Procurement Policy

Green Procurement involves choosing products that are less damaging to the environment and human wellbeing than the products currently being purchased. In order to reduce our impact on the environment and to make students more environmentally aware, Allendale Primary School encourages the use and purchase of environmentally and socially responsible materials, products and services whenever they perform satisfactorily, are safe and are value for money. This will include, where possible; buying locally, buying recycled and recyclable, using less chemicals and reducing the school's carbon footprint associated with products and services.

AIMS

- To encourage the sustainable use of resources;
- To reduce our environmental impact;
- To eliminate unnecessary purchasing;
- To reduce waste to landfill;
- To contribute to community education in sustainability

IMPLEMENTATION

When feasible, we will:

- Purchase recycled paper products
- Encourage double-sided printing
- Correctly dispose of all waste products e.g. recycle all ink cartridges, reuse or recycle waste paper and plastic etc
- Limit the amount of advertising materials sent home to students
- Encourage parents to use email to receive the school newsletter
- Purchase equipment and furniture made partly or totally from recycled materials when they need to be replaced
- Source recycled products for book order
- Generate some electricity from a renewable source
- Use of reusable cutlery, crockery, glassware
- Ensure appropriate materials are composted

EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's policy review cycle.