



This edition of Top Tips explores ways in which geography can contribute to increasing sustainability in your school.

- ) Run a whole school sustainability audit to see if there is anything your school could be doing to improve sustainability around its site
- ) Decrease canteen waste by looking into sustainable food packaging – Vegware is a company which can provide sustainable but disposable food packaging
- ) Digital Media Paper which is waterproof and rip proof is a good investment and helps to save on recycling
- ) Make reusable water bottles part of the school kit list to reduce plastic bottles in school
- ) Link with local charities for using and recycling surplus supplies
- ) Fashion shows are an excellent use of left over resources
- ) Create a team of ‘Recycling Champs’ who take responsibility for emptying recycling bins and monitoring waste around school
- ) Rather than throwing away old exercise books recycle any leftover lined paper
- ) Start using recycled exercise books and paper
- ) Put together a series of tutor time activities or an assembly based on sustainability
- ) Audit schemes of work to check you are including the concept of sustainability in as many topics as possible
- ) Finding a different recycling/waste collection rather than just using the local authority who can provide more recycling opportunities
- ) Could you school invest in solar panels to save electricity?
- ) Have an automatic shut down on school computers and lights to save electricity
- ) Meat free Monday where canteens only offer meat free options
- ) If you have a large field, you could turn a section into a natural meadow to increase biodiversity around your school site.