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Energy in Education - Promoting Energy Management in Schools

SEAI is working in partnership with the Department of Education & Skills to support schools in improving energy efficiency and meeting public sector energy efficiency targets. A range of measures are being developed including provision of advice and supports for implementing energy management. As well as improving environmental performance by reducing carbon emissions it is estimated that schools that implement effective energy management can achieve 5% energy savings through good housekeeping and up to 25% energy savings through medium-cost capital investments.

The following supports are currently being developed and pilot tested to assist schools in delivering significant, sustainable and valuable energy savings:

 Energy in Education resource pack - guides and workbooks outlining a five step process for schools to implement a systematic approach to energy management and to record and benchmark progress.

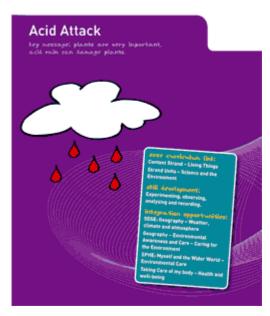
- Energy in Education website including the following features:
 - A facility to apply on-line for a Display Energy Certificate.
 - Guidance and advice on topics such as lighting, heating, IT equipment and use of renewable resources.
 - Case studies of effective energy management in schools.
 - Information on training and funding opportunities.
 - Teaching resources to facilitate pupil involvement
 - Information on energy efficiency for designers and builders of schools
- Energy Management training for schools Schools nominate a
 representative to attend two half day workshops which will guide
 participants through the energy management process. The focus of the
 training course is utilising good energy management practices to save
 energy and money.

If you are interested in receiving further information about the Energy Management Pack or training courses please contact schools@seai.ie.

One Good Idea – closing date fast approaching

The closing date for entries into the One Good Idea post primary project is **Wednesday, 16th March** so make sure your students are well prepared and get their application to our offices







on time. So far 190 schools have registered for this year's project and are working hard on innovative campaigns to promote climate change and energy efficiency. For a sample of last year's winning entries and for more info go to www.seai.ie/onegoodidea, email onegoodidea@realevents.ie or call (01)5224830.

NEW Lesson Plan - Acid Attack

A new lesson plan, suitable for senior primary classes has been added to our website: Acid Attack. Investigate if things are acid or alkaline, find out about acid rain and how it affects plants and buildings. Go to http://www.seai.ie/Schools/



EU Sustainable Energy Week

EU Sustainable Energy Week is Europe's key event for a more sustainable energy future. Between 11 and 15 April 2011 hundreds of events organised in all parts of Europe will show, promote, discuss and celebrate energy efficiency and renewable energy. Be a part of it!

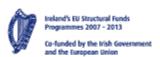
Organise an Energy Day in your school.

Get more information and inspiration go to www.eusew.eu.

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