



...With full Day Care and Family Services

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PINXTON NURSERY SCHOOL Green Procurement Policy

Pinxton Nursery School will ensure that when products and services are purchased, we will consider environmental aspects, potential impacts and costs associated with their life cycle. Our practice of procuring products and services will endeavor to ensure that they are less harmful to environment (land, air and water) and that they are made with less harmful materials when produced, used or consumed. This will include, where possible, buying locally, buying recycled or recyclable products.

Paper

Procurement considerations

Wherever possible, we will buy paper which is: recycled, produced with the lowest energy consumption and emissions and the manufacturers states 'ecological responsibility'.

Cleaning Products

Procurement considerations

Where possible we will:

- Use cleaning products effective at low temperatures
- Avoid hazardous substances in products
- Avoid phosphorus and limit biocides in products
- Follow the recommended dosages
- Decrease the use of products through reviewing cleaning plans and techniques
- Ensure packaging is made from recycled materials and is recycled
- Use products made in the UK

Office Equipment

Procurement considerations

Where possible we will:

- Purchase energy efficient items
- Purchase products with a restricted noise level
- Ensure products and packaging can be recycled
- Ensure waste products can be recycled

Lighting

Procurement considerations

Where possible we will:

- Purchase replacement lights with low energy usage
- Use lighting controls to reduce energy consumption
- Recycle all waste products

Furniture

Procurement considerations

Where possible we will:

- Source locally
- Use products which can be recycled
- Avoid hazardous substances in materials
- Ensure packaging can be recycled
- Buy recycled furniture

Electricity

Procurement considerations

Where possible we will:

- Increase the share of electricity from renewable energy sources
- Display our energy certificate
- Monitor our electricity consumption through DCC energy monitoring system

Food and catering services

Procurement considerations

Where possible we will:

- Buy seasonal products
- Buy sustainable products
- Buy meat products with high welfare standards
- Compost any waste.

Gardening services

Procurement considerations

Where possible we will:

- Avoid the use of peat as a soil improver
- Not use pesticides in pest control
- Use our water butts to water plants
- Compost waste materials
- Buy whenever possible biodegradable packaging

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Review:

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