



## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

<b>Audience</b>	Parents, Students, Staff, Governors
<b>Named person responsible for monitoring</b>	Head
<b>Agreed by Site &amp; Finance Committee</b>	1 October 2019
<b>Ratified by Governing Body</b>	15 October 2019

### **Aims:**

Hampstead School has a duty to prepare future generations with the knowledge and skills to manage the world's resources wisely. Through our actions, we should develop good habits and behaviour patterns to secure our students' commitment to a sustainable future at a personal, local, national and global level. We are committed to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the child and particularly endorse Articles 24.

The way the school environment is managed and maintained should provide an example to students of how to respect and care for a built community, whilst reflecting the school values. Students and the wider school community should be involved in the development and management of the school environment so developing a life ethic that values all people and the natural environment

### **Action:**

The School has an obligation under the Environment Protection Act 1990 to keep grounds free of litter as an on-going process that involves all members of the school community.

Our school community should

- raise awareness of what the school can do to minimise on site waste and reduce waste by more generally purchasing less single use disposable items and more recycled materials by choosing more products that are recyclable and have systems to recycle waste material.
- monitor energy consumption by regularly tracking energy use, environmental impact and to make all members of the school community aware of the link between energy use and financial cost. We will seek to establish simple low- or no-cost measures to conserve energy and bring about savings.
- monitor water use and make students aware of the link between water use, environmental impact and financial cost and help students and the wider community understand that conserving water is vital to our future.
- use the school site and local community as a source of learning opportunities for students. Travelling to and from school in a manner consistent with the School Travel Plan would be one practical action available to all students and staff.

We must be aware that the school grounds provide the visitor with the first impression of the school.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*Susie Diamond*  
Chair of Committee

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_  
15 October 2019