

School Water Footprint

School Name: _____

Date: _____

School Population: _____

Did you know:

1. The average Region of Peel resident uses 218 L of water per day, compared to the national average of 250 L of water per day.
2. In 2020, 215 billion litres of water were treated in South Peel.
3. Leaving the tap on when washing your hands uses as much as 8 litres of water.

Things you will need:

- Your school's water bill for the past few months
- Clipboards and a pencil

Instructions:

- Learn how much water your school uses daily
- You will need to get support from your Principal and Custodian in getting access to the school's water meter to get daily readings
- Before beginning this exercise, check out this quick video on how to read your water meter:
 - Video: Reading your meter (Length of video: 2.27 minutes)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xPapGbWk9rs>

School Water Meter Reading:

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning					
Afternoon					

Beginning of the week: _____

End of the week: _____

Inspect school grounds:

- Check for leaks around your school:
 - Toilets
 - Bathroom sinks
 - Drinking water fountains
 - Dishwasher in the staff room

Questions:

Looking at your school's previous water bill, how many litres of water has your school used over the past 3 months?

- Litres used indoors: _____
- Litres used outdoors (if applicable): _____
- Total litres: _____

- What did your school pay for water? (if applicable): _____

- Calculate the litres of water used per person at your school in year?
 - Total litres during school year / Total students and staff / days in school year

- Can you tell if there are peak times of water use at your school? _____
- Can you indicate if there are off peak times of water use at your school? _____
- Are the water fixtures at our school water efficient? _____
 - Water efficient fixtures reduces water waste by measuring the amount of water required for a particular purpose
- What would a sustainable school look like? _____
- How would you consider water use both inside and outside of the school? _____

Water Pledge at School:

Come up with some ways to save water at school:

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