

Welcome to the November Green Impact Newsletter

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GIPAs Galore!

On Wednesday we had a very successful Green Impact Project Assistant workshop. We have a team of 32

GIPAs this year! They found out more about the project and brainstormed ideas to best help teams. Let me know if you would like the help of a student GIPA. They are all excited to be a part of the Green Impact project this year and they will be contacting teams soon!



If you haven't already, sign up [here](#).

Dates for your diary:

Public Lecture– 13th Nov

Satish Kumar will be discussing why is ecology missing from big economic and political debates? 6.30-8pm, Hong Kong Theatre.

Public Lecture– 17th Nov

Panel debate on whether the finance industry is doing enough to combat the challenges of sustainability. 6.30-8pm, Sheikh Zayed Theatre

Green Impact Workshop-20th Nov

We will be running a Green Impact Workshop on 'getting started'. All are welcome, and there will be some nibbles too.

Time to get seasonal

If you are in need of something seasonal to cook tonight– try [this](#) stuffed squash recipe.



Myths and tips

Turning your PC off uses more energy than leaving it on.

FALSE! The small surge of power you use when turning it on (which varies per make and model) is still much smaller than the amount you use in keeping it on for lengthy periods.



Food for thought!

A PC monitor left on overnight wastes enough energy to cook 6 microwave dinners! Turn your monitor off even when away from your desk for a short time!

Workbook worries

A couple of questions I have received from teams recently:

Q. Can we see previous year's workbooks?

A. Yes you can view all previous workbook in the archive section, you can see previous evidence and search for criteria too.

Q. How do we book in the waste and recycling training as part of criteria B007.

A. contact Elena to book it in. It takes about 5 minutes and can be adding on to a department meeting or any other time most of your departmental staff are gathered together.

Reminder of the structure of the workbook:

Bronze workbook: Complete all bronze criteria

Silver workbook: Complete all bronze and silver criteria

Silver Project: Complete bronze workbook and a project of your choice.

Gold workbook: Complete all bronze, silver and gold criteria

Gold Project: Complete bronze workbook and a larger project of your choice. (The sustainability team will evaluate your project and decide if it is silver or gold, depending on its scope, engagement and legacy)

Catering workbook: This is only for catering teams.

Halls workbook: This is only for halls of residence teams.

If you would like to do a project, please get in contact with [me](#) to discuss it. I will meet with you throughout the project to offer support and resources. If you are a new team, I would recommend starting out with the bronze workbook, and working your way up next year. But if you are keen to do a specific project then please feel free and we can have a meeting early on so you are confident with what you will do.



Last year's awards

The next stage:

- * You can sign up to the workbook TODAY. [Here](#) is the link. Regardless of the level you are going for (bronze, silver, silver project etc) you will need to sign up to the workbook.
- * Once you sign up you can enter your team name and look through the workbook.
- * Then start to green your department!
- * If you choose to do a project, please contact me to arrange a brief meeting.
- * There will be some workshops and drop in sessions throughout the year and regular communications.



Sustainability Resources

The Moodle page is now live! There are lots of resources on there so you can start making some changes. Search 'Green Impact Forum' on [moodle](#).

The [Carbon Trust](#) has lots of posters and stickers you can use.