

## **Some benefits of having a School Energy Team**

### **You may well think of more.....**

- You will keep tabs on your energy costs and can quickly spot irregularities and rises.
- Your school **will** save money.
- Pupils become enthusiastic about energy consumption and learn about this complex subject more easily.
- Pupils are motivated to reduce their energy use at home as well as school, and inspired to come up with solutions.
- You are encouraging pupils to think creatively as they apply their knowledge to real, everyday thinking. Creativity is good practice and soon to become an integral part of OFSTED inspections from September 2007.
- Involving pupils in participation through real responsibilities improves self esteem, which impacts across all learning. The attitudes developed will stay with pupils throughout their lives.
- Pupils will have a greater respect for, and take more care of, other environments which they encounter.
- You will be evidencing several strands of the 'Every Child Matters' agenda, and this can be used for your school's self-evaluation report.
- This kind of action exemplifies best practice in schools.
- This kind of thinking and action will help you to win awards and additional funding for your school – for examples of this, view details of the Ashden Award-winning schools.