



Water supply reminders



Note: If you have a **treated water** storage tank at your school, you must dose the water in your storage tank with an appropriate amount of disinfectant following the holiday break. Refer to the New Zealand School Property Agency website for dosing guidance.



Flush your water system at start of term

Run every tap for a few minutes. This will kickstart your water system, get rid of surface contaminants around taps and drinking fountains, and flush stagnant water out of your pipes. Do this before ākonga arrive if possible.



Do the monthly sampling and testing of your water for bacteria

Get your sample off to the lab and immediately log your returned results in Argest online.



Check your UV unit is switched on at the wall and is operating properly

UV water disinfection relies on power – a tripped fuse or power cut in the holidays will mean it needs resetting.



Check your maintenance schedule and do any maintenance that is due

We encourage schools to contract an experienced local contractor to undertake regular maintenance and servicing e.g., three-monthly.

Email: water.services@schoolproperty.govt.nz if you need further information

Note: information on reclaiming costs of regular maintenance using our reimbursement process is on the New Zealand School Property web page 'Schools that supply their own water'.