Let's Use Our Water Wisely

It's another hot, dry summer.
To make sure we have the water we need, we all have to use it wisely.

Let's start by using these tips around the home and garden.
They are small changes, but they make a BIG difference.

Tear apart and hang these tips around the house as handy reminders.

490 Litres
This is how much water the average British Columbian uses in a day!

British Columbia
490 Litres a Day

The Rest of Canada
340 Litres a Day

Water Use it Wisely

In the Kitchen
1. Instead of running the tap, keep a jug of cool water in the fridge.
2. Turn off the tap and wash your fruit in a bucket. Use the water around your garden.
3. Turn off the garbage and save water. Compost your kitchen scraps.

Around the Garden
1. Long grass helps shade its roots. Mow less often and you'll save water.
2. Don't water when it's windy. Wind can blow sprinklers off target and speed up evaporation.
3. Put an empty tuna can on your lawn. When it's full, you'll know you've watered enough.

In the Bathroom
1. Turn off the tap when you brush your teeth or shave.
2. Take shorter showers. Save 19 litres every minute.
3. Use food colouring to check your toilet for leaks. Save up to 300 litres a week.

In the Laundry Room
1. Watch for dripping taps! Change tap washers and save up to 300 litres a week.
2. Instead of running water, use a bucket or pail for household cleaning.
3. Make sure your washing machine is loaded full. Every load uses up to 190 litres.