

How cold is it really?

Are your temperature controls working in harmony?

The University sets temperature standards for room heating and cooling. During the colder seasons (September-May) we aim for a room temperature of 21 - 22°C.

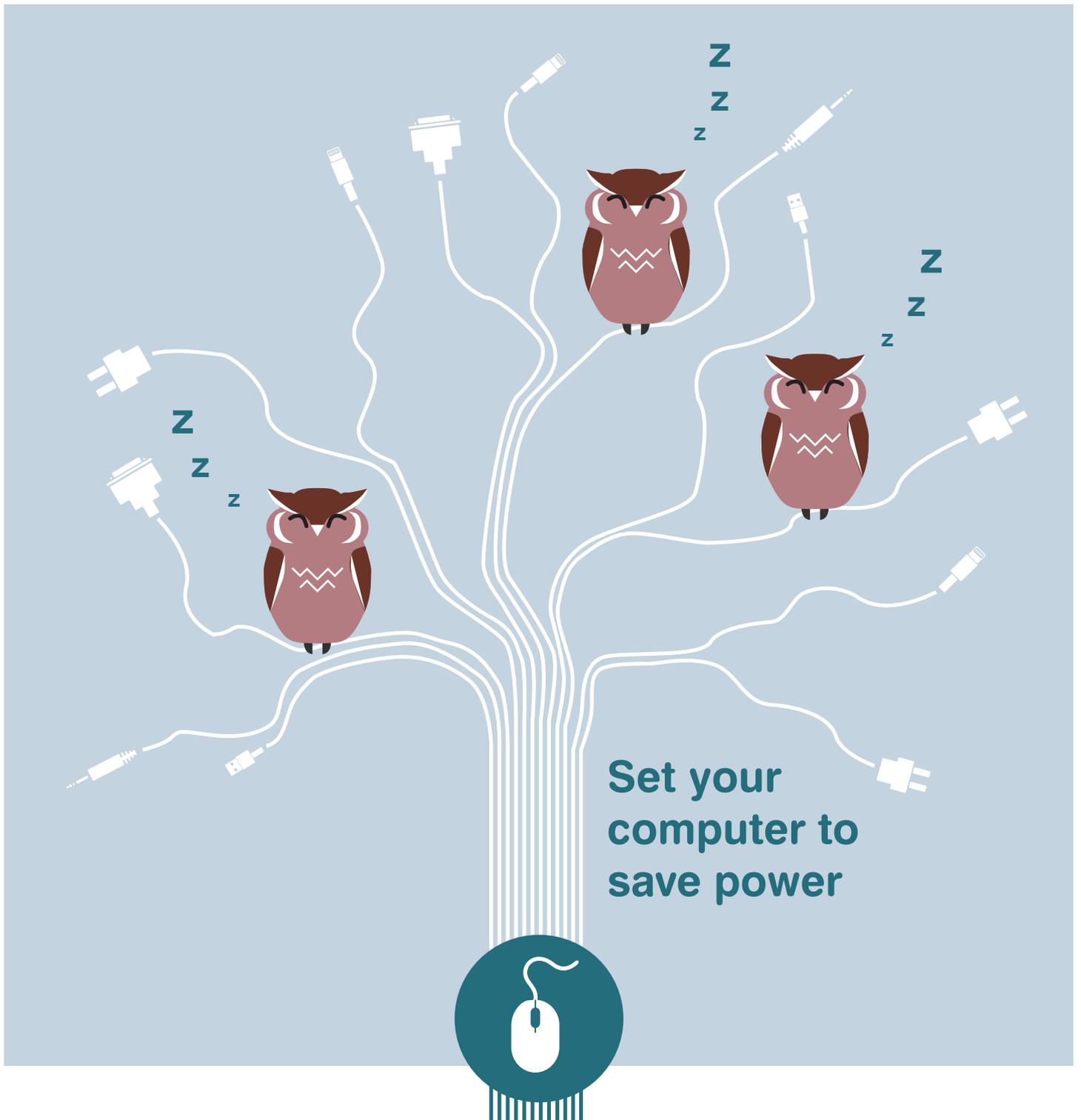
In the summer, cooling is usually only considered if temperatures frequently rise above 28°C.

Report temperatures above 28°C or below 19°C.



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Search 'power saver' in the start menu, and switch your mode.  
Remember to sleep your computer whenever you leave your desk!

A PC uses about 50 W of power when running, 2.5W in sleep mode, 1.5W when switched off (but still plugged in). Sleeping your PC when you step away from your desk will also make your files more secure, as a login will be required when you next use your computer.



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**Last one out?  
Is everything off?**

Too many things are left on every day. Turn them off when you leave.

It is estimated that lighting is responsible for just 20% of energy use in an office space (10% in labs). Check if there are any unnecessary pieces of equipment left on.

You can ask your Energy Coordinator or Lab Technician about requesting a plug-in timer from the Department for Social Responsibility and Sustainability for equipment with specific operation times.



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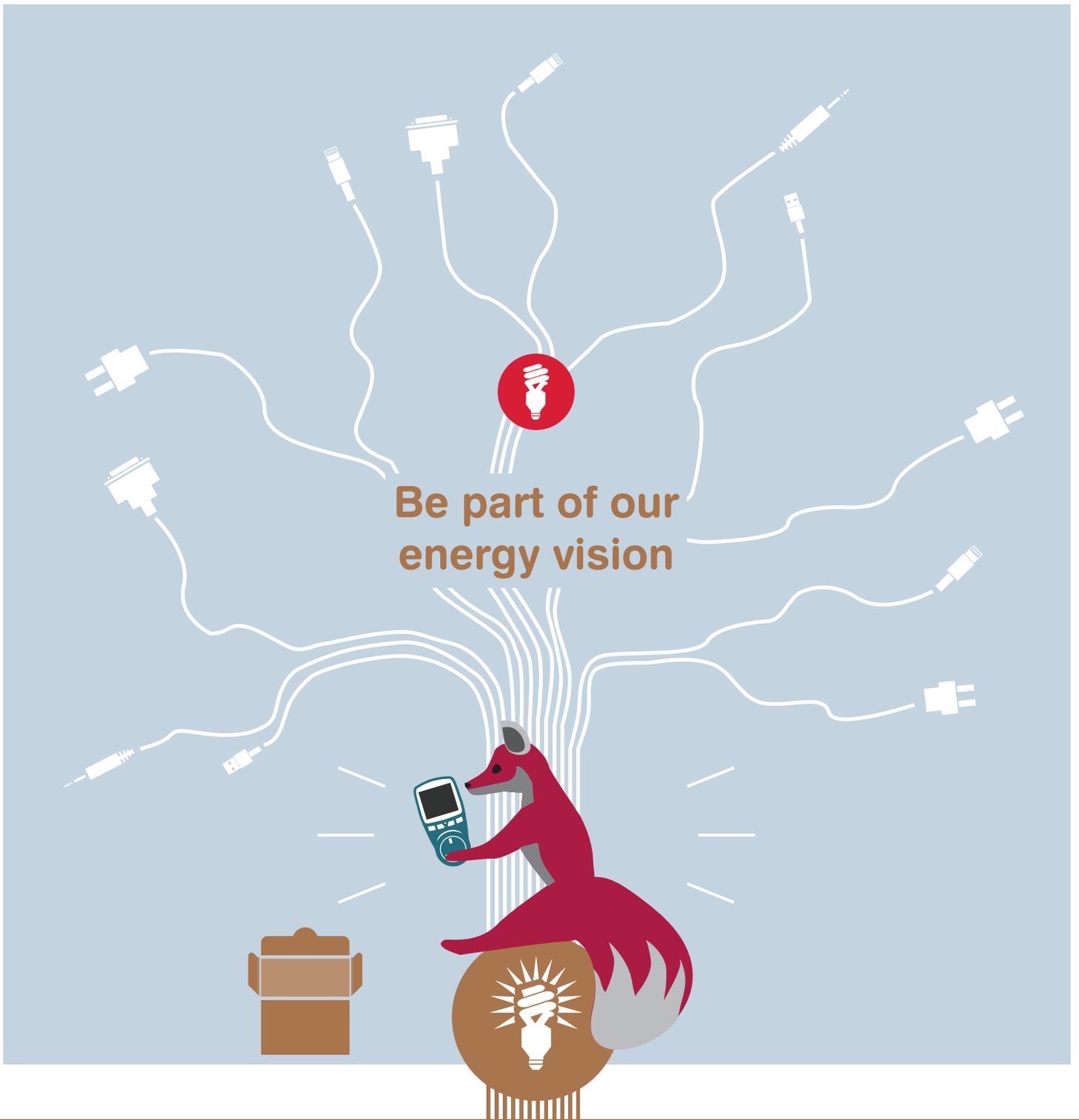
## Be part of the Sustainability Awards

The Sustainability Awards are open to teams of staff and students from offices, labs, student groups and student residences. Achievements are celebrated at our annual awards ceremony. Special Awards recognise sustainable projects undertaken in various themes.



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## Become an Energy Coordinator

Being an Energy Coordinator isn't a huge commitment: just a couple of hours each month. With our full support, you will be the day-to-day contact for your school or unit on all aspects of energy reduction.



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95% of people boil the kettle every day and 75% overflow

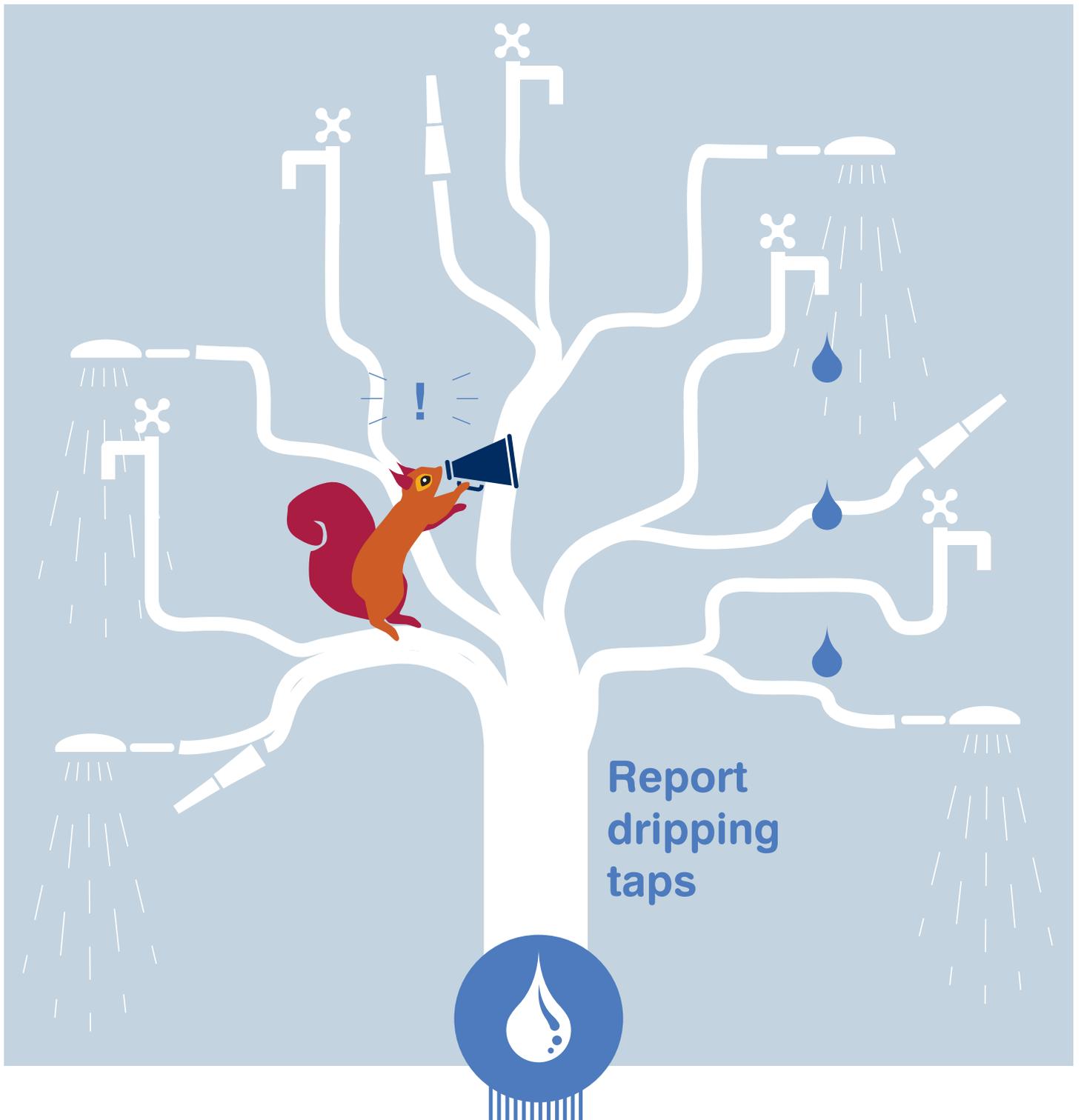
If you half fill a kettle when you want to make one cuppa you used 2.5 x the energy you actually need. 150% of the required energy is completely wasted each time.

For every second your kettle is boiling water it uses the same energy as a typical heater or hairdryer.



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A tap dripping once per minute can waste over 100L of water a year.

Everybody can and should report problems in their building as soon as possible. If you see a tap dripping, turn it off, and if it won't turn off, please report it.



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The University has committed to becoming zero carbon by 2040

We recognise that climate change is one of the most significant global challenges of the century. The University's Climate Strategy lays out a comprehensive whole institution approach to climate change mitigation and adaptation in order to achieve its ambitious targets.



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## Apply for the Sustainable Campus Fund

Do you have an idea for a sustainable project at the University?

The Sustainable Campus Fund is a real opportunity for anyone in the University to propose projects that could reduce the University's impact on the environment. It is an internal investment vehicle that provides financing to parties within the University for implementing energy efficiency, renewable energy, and other sustainability projects that generate cost savings.



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