

HAGIS 12 Green Days of Christmas Calendar 2019 #12greendays

<p>Mon 2nd Dec</p>	<p>Tue 3rd Dec</p>	<p>Wed 4th Dec</p>	<p>Thu 5th Dec Bring a plant to decorate the office</p>   <p>USE PLANTS AS DECORATIONS</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>	<p>Fri 6th Dec Consider buying eco-gifts</p>   <p>CHOOSE ECO-GIFTS AND AVOID PLASTIC</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>
<p>Mon 9th Dec Use an eco cup for your brew</p>   <p>TAKE YOUR BREW IN AN ECO CUP</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>	<p>Tue 10th Dec Buy local to build community.</p>   <p>BUY LOCAL TO BUILD COMMUNITY</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>	<p>Wed 11th Dec Reduce waste - avoid wrapping paper</p>   <p>REDUCE WASTE - ESPECIALLY WRAPPING PAPER</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>	<p>Thu 12th Dec Try some festive meat-free recipes</p>   <p>TRY FESTIVE MEAT FREE TREATS</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>	<p>Fri 13th Dec Pull on a Christmas jumper</p>   <p>TURN DOWN THE HEAT AND PULL ON A CHRISTMAS JUMPER</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>
<p>Mon 16th Dec Donate to local food banks</p>   <p>DONATE TO LOCAL FOOD BANKS</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>	<p>Tue 17th Dec Walk or car share to Christmas Parties</p>   <p>WALK OR CAR SHARE TO THE PARTY</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>	<p>Wed 18th Dec Have a plastics-free Christmas</p>   <p>HAVE A SINGLE-USE-PLASTICS-FREE CHRISTMAS</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>	<p>Thu 19th Dec New Year's Resolutions time!</p>   <p>MAKE A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>	<p>Fri 20th Dec Switch off for the holidays!</p>   <p>SWITCH OFF FOR THE HOLIDAYS!</p> <p>#12GreenDays #UoMg1</p>
<p>Mon 23rd Dec</p>				

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Hello everyone!

We are delighted to invite you to take part in the 4th annual 12 Green Days of Christmas campaign to celebrate the countdown to the holidays in 2019. Each day between **the 5 and 20 December**, the **Humanities Administration Green Impact Stewards (HAGIS)** will be sending you our top tips for keeping the festive activities a whole lot greener.

Our team will be hosting activities that we hope will give our colleagues a little break while giving us pause to think about the way we spend and celebrate Christmas. Feel free to join us for any of the activities (details will be included in our daily email). We would love it if you could share our emails and the daily social media graphic and video with your staff, students and friends.

Please use the hashtag #12GreenDays and your Twitter handle (if you have one) in all of your social media posts so that we can share and credit your stories, comments and tips.

And yes, it's really too early, but we want to be the first to wish everyone a very Happy **Green** Christmas!

***Best wishes,
Faculty Office, Humanities Administrative Green Impact Stewards (HAGIS)***

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In full for social

Day 1
Thursday 5 December

Bring a plant to decorate the office

Fresh greenery brightens up the winter gloom, so consider plants when decorating.

There will be a Christmas decorations SWISH in Crawford House to exchange pre-loved decorations, while there will be an office 'pod' decorating competition and the most environmentally-adorned pod will receive a prize on 15 Dec.

Day 2

Friday 6 December

Consider buying eco-gifts this Christmas!

When purchasing gifts, consider tickets for the Martin Harris Centre for Music and Drama, Whitworth Art Gallery exhibitions, handmade gifts, plants, FOE, Oxfam, LendwithCare, [trees in a Caledonian Forest](#).

<https://www.yourssustainably.com>

Day 3

Monday 9 December

Use an eco cup for your brew

Bring your eco cup and enjoy hot chocolate or spiced apple juice all day.

Humanities: If staff pledge to give up using disposable cups for coffee and tea, they will be given a free reusable mug (courtesy Marianne!) to support their commitment to using it every day.

Day 4

Tuesday 10 December

Buy local to build community.

Visit the University food market, local makers markets, and charity shops.

Humanities (everyone welcome): Lunchtime stroll to the local food market and Oxfam.

Day 5

Wednesday 11 December

Reduce waste - avoid wrapping paper

Reuse old Christmas cards – turn them into gift labels, and keep tissue paper packaging to give it a second life.

Watch this video to learn how to wrap without sticky tape – origami style! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fmnGO1chfGM>

Day 6

Thursday 12 December

Try some festive meat-free recipes

It's Christmas Bake Off day, which should inspire us to get busy in the kitchen, and why not try some meat-free recipes this Christmas? There are vegan/veggie recipes in the kitchen for everybody.

Already hungry? The Greenhouse Café and 8th Day are great options for tasty meat-free lunches.

Day 7

Friday 13 December

Turn down the heat and pull on a Christmas jumper

Wear your jumper for Save the Children and smile for the camera! Bring a £2 donation and enjoy the spectacle of your colleagues in kitsch knitwear. And turn down the radiators!

Day 8

Monday 16 December

Donate to local food banks

Bring a donation for a local foodbank.

Humanities is organising a collection for the Manchester food bank. Bring a tin and something for a group breakfast.

Day 9

Tuesday 17 December

Walk or car share to Christmas Parties

Use public transport, cycling, walking and car sharing to your Christmas parties and choose video conferencing to attend a meeting you would otherwise travel for.

Day 10

Wednesday 18 December

Have a single-use-plastics-free Christmas

Try to make green choices this Christmas. Bring a container and choose loose veg and grains when food shopping, and take a refillable cup when out and about for your festive hot drinks.

Day 11

Thursday 19 December

New Year's Resolutions time!

Make a sustainable or socially responsible New Year's resolution. Join [10,000 actions](#), commit to [Veganuary](#), or make a [food bank purchase](#) each time you do a big shop.

Day 12

Friday 20 December

Switch off for the holidays!

We know you're desperate to get out the door, but remember to switch your monitors and unplug desk lamps. Last one to leave turns off the lights. See you in 2020!