Winsford High Street Community Primary and Nursery School

Sustainability & Climate Action Plan

Our Vision

At High Street we want to use our culture and curriculum to empower pupils to be advocates and agents of change for a more sustainable world - Breathe, Believe, Achieve

Goal	Action	Steps	Timeline for the action or expected completion date	Resources
Establishing your baseline (BC)	Understand your school's carbon footprint by identifying where your emissions come from.	1. Undertake an audit of the current carbon emissions. 2. Review the Recommendation Report from your Display Energy Certificate [DEC] to understand the schools' energy efficiency.	1 month Cost: Free if using resources link provided	Staff: Education staff, operational staff, senior leadership team Home - Count Your Carbon 6 certificates and reports for CW72AU – Find an energy certificate – GOV.UK
	Understand your school's waste by conducting a bin audit.	1.Conduct bin audit and litter picking audit. 2. Review findings and propose recommendations to reduce or recycle waste.	1 month Cost: Free if using resources link provided	Staff: Education staff, operational staff, senior leadership team Keep Britain Tidy

Decarbonisation (BC) Climate Education and Green Careers	Planning: assess buildings for draughts and leaks to reduce heating demand.	Assess building for areas of heat loss. Make small changes to help prevent heat loss e.g. draft excluders. Use energy saving trust for more tips.	1 month Cost: Free	Staff: Operational staff, senior leadership team Energy Saving Trust
	Change behaviours in our communities by running a 'Switch-off' campaign.	Encourage students and staff to turn off lights and monitors. Provide information to parents/carers in your newsletters.	1 month Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, operational staff, senior leadership team Switch Off Fortnight 2024 - Teacher Guidance - Twinkl
Biodiversity (BC/HB) Climate Education and Green Careers	Increase our school's knowledge of biodiversity by joining an online biodiversity network.	Sign up to Education Nature Park for more resources.	1 day Cost: Free	Staff: educational staff/ senior leadership team Education Nature Park

	Increase biodiversity on school property by growing food.	Locate an area to garden. Advertise amongst pupils. Grow plants and get students involved in maintenance/ harvest.	1 – 12 months Cost: Low / dependant on size of garden	Staff: Educational staff/ senior leadership team Simple gardening club ideas / RHS Campaign for School Gardening Edible playgrounds by Trees for Cities Discover Projects in the Cheshire West Crowd
Climate education and green careers (HB)	Share with staff and pupils what climate change action we are taking by promoting successes and achievements.	Assemblies, newsletters. Get students involved e.g. with planting or maintaining.	1 day Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, senior leadership team Home – Eco Schools (eco-schools.org.ok)
	Increase our school's knowledge of climate change initiatives by joining a climate network. (Count Your Carbon)	Research networks and decide which is the best for our school to keep up to date with latest information and opportunities. Sign up to the network. Start engaging with network, attend meetings, read newsletters, etc.	1 day, then ongoing Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, senior leadership team Case Studies - Royal Society

Resilience and adaptation (BC/EMc)	Share with staff and pupils what climate change action we are taking by promoting successes and achievements.	Assemblies, newsletters. Get students involved e.g. with planting or maintaining.	1 day Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, senior leadership team
	Monitor heat in classrooms.	Install classroom heat sensors. Train staff to be able to use them and identify when dangerous heat levels are reached. React to levels with appropriate policy and procedure.	1 week Cost: Low	Staff: Education staff, operational staff, senior leadership team Appoint pupil energy monitors in all classes | Energy Sparks
Active and sustainable travel (EMc) Air Quality	Increase awareness of carbon emissions from cars.	Promote active challenges including walk/cycle to school, step competitions etc. Provide incentives for the above challenges.	1 week Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, operational staff, senior leadership team Cycle Training for Everyone - Deliver Safer Training | Bikeability

	Encourage active travel by providing cycle skills for students.	Organise external cycle skills lessons for students to improve their skills and safety on their bikes Extend to parents and carers. Extend to teaching staff.	1 week Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, senior leadership team Cycle Training for Everyone - Deliver Safer Training | Bikeability
Air quality (HB/EMc) Active and Sustainable Travel	Planning: Create an asthma friendly school plan.	Collect a register of all pupils with asthma. Create a school wide emergency asthma plan. Choose an asthma lead.	1 week, ongoing Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, operational staff, senior leadership team
	Take part in Walk to School Week	Create a walking bus to school.	1 week Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, operational staff, senior leadership team
Waste, consumption and recycling (HB)	Reduce waste by lowering single use plastic.	Review the school's procurement policy and identify any single use plastics that can be eliminated.	1 week, ongoing Cost: Low	Staff: School management team, senior leadership team

	Encourage reuse by running second-hand uniform event.	Run a uniform event at school for second hand uniform exchange and purchase.	1 week Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, senior leadership team Uniformd
Food (EMc) Climate Education and Green Careers	Planning: include sustainability standards in school food policy or contract.	Talk with your kitchen staff or catering team. Review your school food contract.	1 month, ongoing Cost: Free	Staff: Operational staff, senior leadership team, kitchen staff Work with ProVeg UK to provide menus and advice.
	Promote plants and reduce meat consumption by having a plant-power day.	Have a plant-power or meat free day in the canteen. Teach about the benefits of reduced meat and more plants in your diet. Teach how to make nutritional and tasty vegetarian meals.	1 week-ongoing Cost: Free	Staff: Education staff, operational staff, senior leadership team Meat free Mondays guide for educators