

Climate Change – Climate Action - local and global

Background resources for teachers

Climate Chaos response toolkit: Essential Tool kit for schools and teachers to navigate Climate Strikes.

Passionate students are not a new thing. But the recent global walkout of over 1.4million young people over the lack of Climate Action is unprecedented. This is new territory for schools –as recognised by the National Association of Headteachers with a motion earlier this month, pledging to support pupils to express their views and influence policy on climate change.

Environmental charity Global Action Plan spoke to schools who said they were uncertain of how to respond to the school strikes, and how to channel this excitement into constructive action. The charity has answered that need by launching a Climate Chaos Response Toolkit to help teachers build on the enthusiasm, meet students demands to have their voice heard in a way which is safe and manageable for the leadership team. [Down load here](#)

Media

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/2019/09/16/children-should-allowed-skip-school-attend-protests-say-british/>

Article from 17 yr old on why she took part in strike in Feb 2019

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2019/feb/15/school-climate-strike-classroom-climate-change>

Greta Thunberg Speech at UN 2018

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VFkQSGyeCWg>

Local

Cumbria County Council Plan for Carbon reduction [here](#)

Low carbon Lake District <https://www.lakedistrict.gov.uk/caringfor/policies/lowcarbonlakedistrict>

Global Goals. The Sustainable Development Goal 13: Climate Action

13.3 particularly applies to education – Improve education , awareness raising and human and institutional capacity.

Teaching Resources:

The toolkit above suggests many ways pupils can support the cause of Climate Action in their own lives, schools and communities – without going on strike. Other resource links useful for Primary Schools are in the download 'Teaching suggestions for Climate Change'.