Climate Action Toolkit on ChangeX

Welcome to InterClimate Networks (ICN) *Climate Action Toolkit!* We have put this document together to help you get going with the project. Throughout your involvement the ICN team will be on hand, and if you have any questions please contact schools@interclimate.org

Once you express an interest in the Climate Action Toolkit on the <u>ChangeX website</u> you will be asked a couple of questions - to support you we've put together some ideas below. You will then be taken through to the 30 Day Challenge section – please see the next page for tips.



Tell us a little bit about why you'd like to start?

What is your motivation?

Some suggestions for you from our previous schools:

- There is a big problem with waste in our school.
- We want to reduce our energy use and move towards more renewable energy sources.
- We would like to find out the views of students on climate change and what actions they already do.
- The Eco team would like to find out how to motivate more students to get involved in their actions.
- We thought this could help us influence the school management to take climate friendly decisions.

Name your group

• Please use your **school name** as your project name.

At the end of your project you will be asked to share photos and videos of your project in action – so please remember to take!





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Once you have expressed an interest you will be taken through to the **30 Day Challenge** section. This requires you to fill in a series of questions and carry out a few actions. The process shouldn't take very long and to support you we have put together some suggestions below.



Watch Your Welcome Video and Schedule a Zoom Call with ChangeX

Pick a time that works for you to talk to one of the ChangeX team about what's involved in your project and to ensure that you understand the Challenge Guidelines.

Recruit Your Team

Set up a team of secondary school students to run the project – this could be your existing eco group. Remember to ensure you have support from senior leadership. Add your lead teacher email (you don't need to share your students email addresses).

Set Up A Kick Off Meeting

Host a team meeting and come up with an action plan for your project (please see the next section for information on this).

Share a photo taken at your first team meeting with at least 4 team members.

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Share a Team Photo & Project Plan

Below are some tips that you could use to complete your initial project plan:

Timeline: We recommend completing the project within 8 months. We suggest you run the Climate Action Survey over a 2 to 3 week period. ICN will have the report back to you within 6 weeks of the survey finish date. Follow up resources, which support you to design a campaign for climate action, can be done in your own time, but we recommend completing within a couple of months, giving you time to implement your plan.

Budget: Don't worry too much about this at the moment, as our resources will support you look at the costs of your campaign. The costs of the survey and report are covered by ICN.

Impact: For students:

- By completing the survey and hearing about who this report has reached, students realise that their views matter.
- By running the survey in school, those already active are better informed to help those not active to become involved.
- By developing skills and using opportunities, students gain reinforcement to continue to have a say and lead positive action into the future.

For schools:

• We intend that school management gain a valuable insight into the concerns and priorities of their students with regards to climate action.

In terms of measurable goals, ICN resources are designed to help you monitor impact (including the Climate Action Survey report which will provide a baseline).

Location: Make sure you have permission from SLT for the project, including if you need to use a room for meetings or if permissions are required for out of class activities.