

**Climate Actions in School:** here are priorities put forward by students of 39 schools that took part in ICN's Climate Conferences 2019 ...

## Low Cost, High Impact

### What we use & reuse

Switch our main web browser to Ecosia which then plants trees

### Nature

Ask Headteacher if we can plant some trees

### Food & food waste

Reduce the amount of food waste with messages / posters; optional portion size

### What we use & reuse

Promote [waste free] packed lunches – also reducing plastic

### Energy

Turn down thermostat slowly over time and 'No electricity' days

### What we use & reuse

Email reports unless parents ask for it to be printed out

### Energy

Reduce water temperature and pressure - reduce wasted electricity

### Positive messages

Informing students and raising awareness to make the whole thing more relatable

### Energy

First need to find out about Energy consumption in school. Ask our Head to help and need auditing technology.

### Food & food waste

Decrease schools' meat consumption eg Meat Free Monday and if using beef, only on menu once a week

### Travel & transport

Map routes to school and reward sustainable travel so more students and teachers to cycle / walk and take buses.

### Energy

Trying to change energy supplier

### Food & food waste

Compost & look up fermentation bins

### Food & food waste

Believe our school could grow their own food eg on an allotment or a roof garden to educate people [include in the curriculum] to grow their own.

### What we use & reuse

Recycle more eg crisp packets and plastic water bottles for a better cause

### Energy

Switch off computers / lights / white boards over break & when school is closed

### What we use & reuse

School owned water-bottles to be used and water-fountains

### Travel & transport

Stop idling as it's a massive issue

### What we use & reuse

Environmentally friendly glue and masking tape instead of sellotape

## Higher Cost, High Impact

### Travel & transport

Have 1 week of no cars to school; Lock up the gates for 'No drive days'; taxing people to stay in the car park!

### What we use & reuse

Cut down plastic in school especially in the canteen. Replace polystyrene boxes with recyclable. Or if you bring your own cutlery/ Tupperware box, you get so much off your meal

### Food & food waste

Start to use locally sourced seasonal / organic food - reduce our carbon footprint by reducing food miles

### Energy

Replace strip lights with LED over time – they may be more expensive but last longer

### What we use & reuse

More recycling bins. Key message is waste management in schools

### Energy

Install (re-install) solar panels and change from gas boiler for less CO2 emissions and also help to reduce amount of money used on energy

### Food & food waste

Food waste (bins / biogas digester turns to biofuel) could be used for gas taps in science / cooking - reduce food waste that could be used elsewhere

### Nature

Bees kept on roof or allotment or school garden

### Travel & transport

School bus and make bike racks more accessible and safe so hopefully they will be used more.

### Nature

Rainwater to flush the loos - less water wastage