





# Carbon Neutral Now

## 100 Schools Challenge Wales

United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change [UNFCCC]

### **CLIMATE NEUTRAL NOW**

Climate Neutral Now is an initiative launched by UN Climate Change in 2015 to encourage everyone in society to take action to help achieve a climate neutral world by mid-century, as enshrined in the Paris Agreement.

To avoid the worst effects of climate change, science tells us that we must limit global temperature rise to 1.5 degrees Celsius, or a maximum of 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels, which is also the central goal of the Paris Agreement. To achieve this objective, relying solely on governmental action will not be sufficient. We all have a role to play.

We have already reached 1.1 degrees Celsius of global warming. We could reach 1.5 by 2030. We need urgent action!

#### WHY WAIT FOR 2050, WHY NOT HELP YOUR SCHOOL BECOME CARBON NEUTRAL NOW!

The UNFCCC and One World are supporting schools around the globe to become climate neutral as a way to raise awareness and drive further sustainability efforts.

GwE are now supporting the UNFCCC and One World, to launch the "100 schools challenge" in Wales. They have set a target of getting 100 schools to sign up to this process. The UN Climate Change team will support schools in estimating their greenhouse gas emissions, providing advice on actions they can take to reduce them, and pointing to options to compensate the rest, in addition to giving them recognition through the Climate Neutral Now initiative.

Becoming Carbon Neutral Now is a first step towards making your school more sustainable and making your students ambassadors for sustainability.

#### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Climate Neutral Now will support you to work towards global climate neutrality by addressing the schools climate footprint through a 3-step method:

Measure their greenhouse gas emissions, also called the carbon footprint;

Reduce them as much as possible through their own actions; and

Compensate/Offset those which cannot be currently avoided by using UN certified emission reductions (CERs), a type of carbon credit.

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