

# Penwortham Broad Oak Primary School

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## *Climate Action Plan Policy for Broad Oak Primary School*

### **1. Purpose**

Broad Oak Primary School is committed to protecting our planet for current and future generations. As a primary school, we will educate, inspire, and empower our pupils, staff, and community to take meaningful climate action. This policy sets out our approach to reducing our environmental impact, embedding sustainability in teaching and learning, and fostering responsible habits.

### **2. Aims**

We aim to:

- Reduce our school's carbon footprint and waste.
- Embed climate education into our curriculum.
- Encourage sustainable travel and lifestyle choices.
- Involve pupils, staff, families, and the wider community in climate action.
- Develop lifelong awareness of caring for the environment.

### **3. Key Areas of Action**

#### **a) Energy & Resources**

- Reduce electricity and water use by monitoring usage and encouraging switching off lights/equipment.
- Explore renewable energy sources where possible (e.g. solar panels).
- Encourage paperless communication and double-sided printing.

#### **b) Waste & Recycling**

- Maintain clear recycling bins in classrooms and playgrounds.
- Promote reusing and reducing single-use plastics (e.g. refillable bottles, packed lunch guidance).
- Compost food and garden waste for use in the school garden.

#### **c) Travel**

- Encourage walking, cycling, scooting, and car-sharing for school journeys.
- Take part in "Walk to School Week" and "Cycle to School" initiatives.
- Provide safe bike/scooter storage.

#### **d) Curriculum & Learning**

- Embed climate change, sustainability, and biodiversity across subjects.
- Use outdoor learning spaces (e.g. school garden, local parks) to connect children with nature.

- Run eco-clubs, competitions, and projects that promote pupil leadership in sustainability.

#### **e) Biodiversity & School Grounds**

- Maintain green spaces and plant more trees, flowers, and hedges to encourage wildlife.
- Develop a school garden/allotment to grow vegetables and herbs.
- Provide habitats for pollinators and birds (e.g. bug hotels, bird feeders).

#### **f) Community & Partnerships**

- Work with parents, local councils, and organisations on sustainability projects.
- Share progress and eco-tips in newsletters and assemblies.
- Take part in national/global climate action days.

#### **4. Roles & Responsibilities**

- **Headteacher & Governors:** Ensure climate action is a strategic priority.
- **Eco Committee (pupils & staff):** Monitor progress, suggest improvements, lead initiatives.
- **Teachers & Staff:** Integrate sustainability into lessons and model positive behaviours.
- **Pupils:** Take part in projects, share ideas, and lead by example.
- **Parents/Carers:** Support sustainable travel, lunch choices, and school initiatives.

#### **5. Monitoring & Review**

- Annual eco-audit to assess energy, waste, and travel impact.
- Termly Eco Committee meetings to track actions.
- Policy reviewed every 2 years to update goals and achievements.

#### **6. Our Pledge**

As a school community, we pledge to **learn, act, and inspire others** to protect our planet. Together, we can make a difference.