

Tackling Climate Change through Partnerships

Institution Information

- Bristol Education Partnership (BEP)
- A number of schools within the BEP working together with environmental organisations, university partners and the Bristol City Council, to develop projects to help address the climate emergency
- www.bristollearningcity.com/bep
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Practices Identified

- Climate change education and awareness raising
- Sharing best practice and knowledge through collaboration: At meetings, students and staff hear about projects being developed in other partner schools



Practice Description - A number of schools across Bristol have developed a range of projects and interventions to help promote awareness and action in relation to the climate emergency. Projects are often led by students and dedicated Eco Teams, or developed in dialogue between school staff, students and supported by local organisations. Projects often centre on issues related to recycling, reducing consumption, sustainable travel and awareness raising of environmental impacts.

For example, Fairfield High School have been promoting environmentally friendly ways of travelling to school through activities such as assemblies and sessions teaching students how to ride safely and check their bicycles. They have also examined the walking infrastructure around the school, to consider ways of making it safer and have presented this information to the local council. Redmaids' High School are integrating issues of climate change throughout the academic curriculum which includes STEM and Geography, but also Art, English and Design and Technology. Orchard School designed and created their own garden with a compost heap and wildlife pond. Similarly, Year 9 students at Bristol Grammar School surveyed locations around the school with the potential to increase biodiversity. This included identifying areas for planting bee and butterfly friendly flowers, with further plans to establish a school gardening club.

Activities across the BEP target a potential of 10,000 students. Further information on projects can be accessed [here](#).