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Badminton School Peer Vote: **LEADERSHIP**



Badminton's sixth form team pledged to decrease plastic pollution and food waste to reduce their school's carbon emissions. They excelled in engagement, working across the school from junior school "Eco warriors" through to the senior school, interviewing the school operations manager and meeting with senior staff.

Their marketing strategy really worked: the team set up an Instagram account (234 followers!), made inspiring media available, put up posters, and led an assembly. The school has agreed to an Environment and Resources officer, and the group are establishing an Environmental Committee for even more action next year.



Builth's School Energy Management team has carried out a range of activities to raise awareness of energy-use and encourage pledges for action. They ran special events on World Environment Day including a 'Dress Up Bright' fancy-dress competition.

School governors have been presented with a report and one expert judge said, 'I was particularly impressed with the school energy audit that 40 students had put together. This is helping change behaviours in the school.' Teachers are now holding more lessons outside and are turning off lights and computer screens when not being used.

Builth Wells High School Judges' Vote: **CUTTING CARBON**



Chosen Hill School Peer Vote: **INSPIRING OTHERS**



Chosen Hill's Year 7 and 8 Student Green Group, with the support of a Staff Green Team, have worked hard to change attitudes starting with single-use plastic and waste. They liaised with their school's waste management and catering companies and decided to highlight how litter is encroaching on our natural environment.

Textiles students transformed concerns surrounding 'single use plastics' into a unique dress complete with plastic dust-sheet leaves. In school, and at the Summit, the group has succeeded in capturing their peers' imaginations, helping to motivate others into action.



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Gumley House School FCJ



After participating in ICN's 2017 Summit, Gumley House School's active eco-group became even more focused on turning ideas to action. Their topics included conservation work and a successful recycling scheme which reduced waste enormously!

They decided to source reusable water bottles for the school and by making single-use bottles more expensive there was also a market incentive for pupils to buy re-usables. Finally the 'logo competition' was a great way to engage other pupils. The winning logo will be on the bottles and provide an identity for the school in their collective efforts to tackle waste and plastics.

Led by Hammersmith Academy's Junior Leadership Team, this first eco-initiative was designed to make a statement. A giant tear-drop is being constructed from plastic water bottles to show how much is being wasted.

To make the plan work they needed to provide an alternative to bottled water so they installed 9 more water fountains around school and have introduced market economics. To disincentivise purchasing bottled water they increased the price and to incentivise reusable water bottles they sold them for £1. The students said, 'We are working as a community with hearts and souls to complete this task.'

Hammersmith Academy



Pittville School



Pittville's School Parliament team has succeeded in involving their whole school community. New recycling boxes in every classroom have drastically cut plastic and paper waste. The team has also created a well thought through 'self-sustaining' scheme to increase recycling of clothes whilst raising funds for more action.

Pupils regularly donate clothes to sell to a local charity. This income is 'ploughed' into the school garden to grow fruits for catering and for pupils to make jam. Produce will be sold at school sales and funds returned to the scheme. Our expert judge said, 'A great plan with very effective results.'