

Climate Action Plan

School Name: Beeston Hill St Luke's

Academic Year: 2025–2026

Vision: At St Luke's, our vision is to *bring God's colour into the lives of all in our school community and to 'colour' with them the world around us*. This vision inspires every aspect of our school life, including how we care for God's creation.

We believe that looking after our planet is part of *going the extra mile* — doing more than what is expected, showing kindness and responsibility for the world God has entrusted to us. Through our actions, we can reflect *God's colour* — peace, love, care and hope — in a world that sometimes feels grey.

Our Climate Policy helps us to live out this vision in practical ways. It guides how we teach our children to appreciate and protect the environment, reduce waste, save energy, and care for the natural world in our school and beyond.

1. Education & Awareness

- Integrate climate change and sustainability topics into science, geography, and literacy.
- Organise termly **eco-assemblies** led by pupils.
- Celebrate international days such as **Earth Day** and **World Environment Day**.
- Create an **Eco-Club** with pupil representatives from each class.

2. Energy & Resources

- Switch off lights, projectors, and devices when not in use.
- Work with the local council to explore renewable energy options (e.g., solar panels).
- Reduce printing and move communications online where possible.

3. Waste & Recycling

- Provide clearly labelled recycling bins in every classroom.
 - Start a **food waste composting scheme** for garden use.
 - Partner with a local recycling organisation for workshops.
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4. Travel & Transport

- Promote **Walk to School Wednesdays** and cycle/scooter days.
 - Work with local authorities to improve safe walking/cycling routes.
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5. Biodiversity & Grounds

- Develop a **wildflower meadow** or pollinator garden.
 - Plant trees and shrubs around the playground.
 - Create a **bug hotel** and bird feeders to encourage wildlife.
 - Allocate an outdoor "eco-zone" for learning.
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6. Food & Water

- Encourage healthy, low-carbon school meals with less single-use packaging.
 - Install water refill stations to reduce plastic bottles.
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7. Community & Partnerships

- Share progress in newsletters and on the school website.
 - Host **family eco-events** such as clothes swaps or tree planting days.
 - Work with local businesses for sponsorship of green initiatives.
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8. Monitoring & Review

- Eco-Club to meet half termly to review progress.
 - End-of-year report on carbon savings and next year's goals.
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Targets for 2025–2026:

- Reduce energy use by 10%.
- Conduct a survey of the school community to discover how the children get to school.
- Achieve an increase of students walking, cycling, or scooting to school at least once a week.

- Compost at least 30% of food waste.
 - Plant 30 new trees in the school grounds.
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