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Children at a Rights Respecting School.

CAMPAIGN ACTIONS: IT'S TIME TO TAKE ACTION



As you work through the learning activities, children should have a better understanding of climate change. They should appreciate the impact of climate change on their lives and on the lives of other children and young people around the world.

We hope they feel inspired to take action by calling on decision-makers to make a commitment to ensuring that efforts to tackle climate change and its impacts are focussed on the rights of children in the UK and globally!

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ACTION 1

There are lots of ways children can speak out and demonstrate their understanding of how climate change is affecting children's health. We've shared a few of our ideas here, but we know that you're going to come up with many more!

- If performing and creative activities work well with your group, they could put on a re-enactment of an extreme weather incident for community members who may remember or have been told about it. For example, in the UK we saw the great smog of the 1940s, and more recently flooding, heatwaves and water shortages. This could be followed by a discussion about how this affected children's rights and the actions we can all take to be prepared in the future.
- Encourage children and young people to draw or paint pictures, create animations or poems (or other creative ways) to explain how

climate change affects their health and how this makes them feel. They could hold a community exhibition to raise awareness with local residents, businesses, MPs etc. encouraging them to take a personal pledge to tackle climate change and its impacts.

- Children and young people could write a climate charter for your school and organisation – and then publicise this locally. It could set out the steps you are taking to ensure a safe and clean environment, and the best possible health for children and young people.
- How about holding a science fair where children and young people present their ideas to tackle climate change in a way that protects children's health? They could pitch their ideas to local businesses, which could take the ideas forward.
- Children and young people could write and perform a play about climate change and children's health. Inviting local decision-makers and community members would be a great way to help them understand the impact climate change has on children's rights – and while they're there, ask them to make a pledge!